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Sixty-third Annual Report

OF THE

City of Rochester

NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending December 31st
Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-four

THE Record Press

INAUGURAL ADDRESS

by John Shaw, Mayor

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Our program for the coming year of 1954 will be much on the same order as last year's program. It will again be one of economy. I believe that we are under definite orders from the voters of the City to continue such a program. I also believe that this program should continue until such a time as we have obtained new taxing property to help us distribute our tax burden.

Last year, in my inaugural message, we based our administrative program on economy and retrenchment, and it is proper that a report be made to you and to the taxpayers of Rochester as to the final results of this program, and as to the present financial condition of the City.

Our objectives were three: (1) a tax reduction, (2) a reduction of the Funded Debt, and (3) the establishment of a pay-as-you-go policy as a bridge with which to reach the first two. Each one of these three objectives has been reached.

TAX RATE

Our tax rate was reduced from $50.20 to $46.60, a reduction of $3.60. This was done in the face of a loss in total valuations of nearly $50,000.

Rochester normally has had an increase of from $150,000 to $400,000 in new valuations each year, due to new building construction. This year, this additional revenue was lost to us. For the first time in the history of the City, the total valuations were less than the previous year. The loss of revenue this last year was somewhere between $8,000 and $12,000.

FUNDED DEBT

The General City Debt at the beginning of last year, 1953, was $254,146. It is now, as of January 1, 1954, $200,746. This is a reduction during the past year of $53,400.

The Water Debt at the beginning of last year, 1953, was $110,546.15. It is now, as of January 1, 1954, $106,292.15. This is a reduction during the past year of $4,254.

The new Sewer Fund has a debt of $20,041, and this is offset by an accounts receivable item due the City of $20,041.

The total reduction of the entire City's Funded Debt paid last year is $57,654.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO POLICY

Our pay-as-you-go policy was successful in every department. "Pay-as-you-go policy" is another way of saying that we shall not go into further debt, that we shall keep within our budgets, and that we shall make all capital expenditures out of current revenue. This was done. We not only met the budgets, but we ended the year with a substantial surplus.

THE BUDGET

This surplus in last year's budget was earned by good administration. It could not have been accomplished without the help and cooperation of the various City Departments. We have had this cooperation in all departments, with the exception of one.

There have been several misconceptions as to how the budget was reduced and the tax rate lowered. Allow me to explain a little.

The budget for 1952 was $971,000. Before starting to cut this budget back, we had to place on top of this figure, the following:

$14,000 in automatic salary increases
5,000 in increased retirement, pension and insurance payments
8,000 in increased payments on the City's debt

These commitments totaled $27,000, and they were fixed and fast, and could neither have been avoided nor cut.

This additional $27,000 brought our beginning budget for 1953 to $998,000. We reduced this to a final 1953 figure of $915,000, or a final cut back of $83,000. This was hard and tedious work, and always with the idea in mind that we would not cut salaries or essential services.

FEDERAL AID

This year, the City of Rochester received $14,726.13 as Federal Aid to our schools. This amount has been placed in Revenue Surplus, and it is available for the use of our schools in the coming year. Not one cent has ever been used in the City Budget nor applied in any way to reduce the budget or to lower the taxes.

The County Tax was reduced approximately $10,000 from the previous year, but this saving was cancelled out, as far as the tax rate was concerned, by the loss in total valuations.

I have heard many explanations as to how the budget was cut and how these savings were made, but it is sufficient to say that the savings that we made were returned to the taxpayers in the form of lower taxes. *They were not spent!*

CITY SERVICES

It is my belief that all these savings were accomplished

without any curtailment of the necessary or essential services, and only a slight or moderate curtailment of the so-called "extra services." Elimination of "free work" by the various City Departments was responsible for more than a considerable saving. It is hard to say "no" to worthwhile requests, but it is sometimes necessary.

We have replaced old equipment in some instances. We have kept our physical properties in adequate repair. Street surfacing was increased, and we have made several capital expenditures from current revenue.

NEW WATER SYSTEM

During the past year, we authorized the construction of a new Water System at a cost of $413,000. We have needed this addition for over twenty years. The one thing that made this construction possible now was the reduction of $140,000 in its overall costs by the changes in pipe specifications. This administration takes some pride in effecting this saving.

Barring unforeseen circumstances, this construction should be started almost immediately and should be finished by early summer.

We will endeavor to finance this project in such a manner that the costs shall be distributed over a long period of years, so that it can be installed and paid for without raising the water rates. To accomplish this, we shall have to extend the debt payments to thirty years. This extension and the use of what is called the "Constant Payment" plan will cost us considerably more in overall interest charges, but this is believed to be sound financing by competent financial authorities, especially on long life projects such as this one. The debt will run to less than half of the life of the project.

This new Water System, plus additions, is intended and designed to supply water needs for the next fifty or sixty years of the normal anticipated growth of our community. I might add that the Water Debt does not affect the tax rate, and the Water Division should be so run and operated as to show a considerable profit to the City each year.

Several very necessary changes in the operation of this Division are needed, and they will be brought up for your consideration later in the year through the Water Construction Committee.

NEW SCHOOL CLASSROOMS

Our school system is beginning to feel the need for more classrooms in the elementary grades. This need has been brought forcibly to my attention by the enrollment figures of grade one in the school census.

I shall ask the School Board to explore and report on this question as to whether our future needs can be filled by additions to the present school buildings, or whether the need is for

a new building in a new locality. Also, the question of a complete renovation of one or two of our oldest schools should be considered and included in the same report.

As I have been advised that school construction runs between $15,000 and $20,000 per classroom, this will be a question of considerable size and merits your most careful deliberation.

NEW ARMORY

During the past year, we have voted and accepted the proposition of the National Guard for a new armory and vehicle building. The establishment and continuance of a National Guard Unit in Rochester is a distinct asset to our community.

NEW INDUSTRY

We have a desperate need for the establishment of a new industry in Rochester. It would solve so many of our present problems, as well as to furnish a pleasant outlook for the future.

Rochester has so many things to offer industry that it is surprising and disheartening that so little has been accomplished toward this end.

The Chamber of Commerce, who is promoting this endeavor, and the men who have headed this organization and worked so hard and conscientiously during the past three years have been severely handicapped by not having available in Rochester, industrial space that is ready for immediate occupancy and use. Available space is probably the crux of the whole problem.

CONCLUSION

To me, good municipal government is nothing but good taxation, and good taxation is taxation only to the lowest possible amount necessary for economical and efficient services.

CITY GOVERNMENT

AS ORGANIZED JANUARY 1, 1954

Mayor, JOHN SHAW

COUNCILMEN

Ward One—Roland C. White, Richard Q. Lachance, Sherman A. Chamberlain.

Ward Two—Albert E. Barcomb, George C. Nadeau, Scott G. Winkley.

Ward Three—Charles C. Thompson, George A. Lachapelle, Sumner W. Watson.

Ward Four—Marc E. Lemoyne, Sylvio A. Levesque, J. Arthur Leblond.

Ward Five—Weston H. Palmer, James L. Foss, Edward H. Quimby, Jr.

Ward Six—Arnold T. Clement, Ira E. Boyer, Frank D. Callaghan, Jr.

City Clerk—D. Arlene Baker.

City Treasurer—Harry S. Johnson.

City Accountant—Paul H. Bergeron.

City Solicitor—Paul B. Urion.

Collector of Taxes—Downing W. Osborne.

Commissioner of Public Works—Porter Roberts.

Marshal—Vane E. Nickerson.

Assistant Marshal—Ernest J. Levesque.

Sergeant—Clarence A. Woods.

Patrolmen—Willis M. Hayes, Leland L. Waterhouse, Deus Levesque, Nelson Goodfield, Laurent V. Autotte, Arnold Horn, Sidney J. Hurley, Harvey E. Warburton, Nelson S. Hatch, Joseph G. Zuromskis.

Chief Engineer of Fire Department—Ralph G. Seavey.

Deputy Chief Engineers of Fire Department—Frederic Cookson, Joseph E. Woodes, Charles R. Grenier, John Meader.

Overseer of Poor—Forrest L. Keay.

Sanitary Officer—Frank N. Dow.

City Physician—Charles E. Moors, Jr.

Board of Health—Frank N. Dow, Charles E. Moors, Jr., Forrest L. Keay.

Plumbers' Examining Board—Wilbur F. Horne, Joseph A. Rainville, Frank N. Dow.

Assessors—George J. Potvin, Albert R. Chalmers, Louis M. Boston.

Trustees of Trust Funds—Bernard F. Nixon, Walter A. Bickford, Wallace Hussey.

Trustees of Public Library—Henry J. Grondin, Walter H. Wood, Albert C. Hervey, Mary Alice Jenkins, Reginald G. Hurd, Winifred E. Hartigan.

Licensing Board—Mayor John Shaw, City Marshal Vane E. Nickerson, Porter Roberts.

Manager of City Hall Auditorium—E. Morrison Douglas.

Building Inspector—Miles H. Dustin.

Janitor—Odilon Ferland.

Janitor, East Rochester Hall—Everett H. Johnson.

Janitor, Gonic Hall—Telles Dolbec.

Sealer of Weights and Measures—Clifford J. Grenier.

Special Police—William O. Allen, Robert Benner, Horace P. Berry, Wilfred L. Berube, Percy Brooks, William R. Brown, Leon E. Buffum, Frank D. Callaghan, Sr., Robert J. Callaghan, William H. Champlin, Jr., Raymond Chisholm, Ernest Couture, Eudore Couture, George A. Creteau, W. Earl Davis, E. Morrison Douglas, Frank N. Dow, Miles H. Dustin, A. J. Familgetti, Paul J. Forcier, Albert S. Foster, Chester A. Freeman, Neal D. Goodwin, Alphonse Hamel, William D. Hamel, Charles Hanson, John F. Hickey, Adrian Hodgkins, John J. Hurley, Edward Joblonski, Alphonse J. Lacasse, Elmer A. Lavallee, Sylvio A. Levesque, Fred Lyons, Jr., Frank B. Miller, Fred Mortimer, George C. Nadeau, Rolfe Osterman, Freeman V. Parshley, Michel A. Pelletier, John W. Philbrook, George J. Potvin, Bert F. Power, Kenneth H. Preston, Norman J. Raitt, Edgar Remick, Porter Roberts, Joseph A. Roulx, Fred L. Seavey, Wallace G. Shaw, Anthony A. Solsky, Alphonse Sylvain, Albert L. Wallace, Carl H. Wentworth, George Wood, Joseph Woodes, J. Morrill Wright.

Public Weighers—Dana Copp, Chester A. Davis, J. Raymond Fisher, Wallace N. Fisher, Miles Hill, Robert Hussey, Charles Mattocks, J. A. Morrill, Albert C. Mortimer, Roger E. Page, Orlando E. Pickering, Hill Pollard, George Sewall, Chester H. Smith, Olive Page Tufts, Albert Warburton, Joseph Woodes, Bert Woodward.

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber—Arthur Bonenfant, Raoul Lacasse, Arthur Mason, A. F. Potvin, George J. Potvin, Malcolm Roode, Arthur S. Wallace, Walter Williams.
Fence Viewer—Elery J. Lyndes.

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1954

Finance—Mayor, Watson, Barcomb.
Public Works—Mayor, Nadeau, Levesque, Lachapelle, Lachance, Thompson, Chamberlain.
Police—Mayor, Lemoyne, Clement.
Fire Department—Levesque, Winkley, Quimby.
Purchasing—Mayor, Lachance, White.
Public Buildings—Leblond, Callaghan, Foss.
Street Lights—Leblond, Winkley, Boyer.
Claims and Accounts—Mayor, Leblond, Quimby.
Legal Affairs—Mayor, Lachapelle, Palmer.
Traffic—Callaghan, Lachapelle, Boyer.
Printing—Winkley, Lemoyne, Foss.
Elections—Watson, Nadeau, Chamberlain.
Enrolled Ordinances—Lemoyne, Callaghan, Clement.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES, 1954

National Guard—Mayor, Levesque, Palmer.
Water Construction—Mayor, Nadeau, Watson, Lachance, Barcomb, Palmer, White.
Veterans' Burial Lot—Lachance, Leblond, Thompson.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Ludger J. Cossette; Albert C. Hervey, Secretary; Ernest W. Campbell, Chairman; Donald Keller, John C. Richardson, Jr.

ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD

Mayor John Shaw; Paul H. Bergeron, Secretary; George C. Nadeau, Ernest L. Rolfe, Alfred G. Desmarais, Dennis E. Brennan, J. Paul LaRoche, Herve E. Lagasse; Miles H. Dustin, Executive Director.

SELECTMEN AS OF 1954

Ward One—Edwin Henderson, Frank Shaw, Glover Robinson.
Ward Two—John Wright, Orman Mann, Donald D. Beaudoin.
Ward Three—Loretta Beaulieu, Diana Lachapelle, Rita L. Carignan.
Ward Four—Robert Beaudoin, Reginald St. Germain, Herve J. Martel.
Ward Five—Edward Quimby, Jr., William E. Gerrish, Albert C. Hervey.
Ward Six—Raymond Beaudoin, Jr., Philip Estes, Vernon E. Hersom.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDERS

Passed by the City Council 1954

RESOLUTION TO BORROW MONEY IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the Finance Committee be authorized to hire in anticipation of taxes, a sum not exceeding four hundred thousand dollars ($400,000.00). Said sum to be hired on notes of the City at such time as the best interest of the City requires.

Passed January 6, 1954.

RESOLUTION ON $2.00 PER WEEK FOR FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES AND $1.00 PER WEEK FOR PART-TIME EMPLOYEES.

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That two dollars ($2.00) per week be added to the pay of all the regular full-time employees of the Public Works Department, of all of the regular full-time employees of the Fire Department, of all of the regular full-time employees of the Police Department, and of all of the full-time employees in City Hall; and that one dollar ($1.00) per week be added to the pay of the following part-time employees: Overseer of the Poor, Sanitary Officer, each Assessor of Taxes, City Solicitor, City Treasurer, City Physician, Clerk of the Police Department, Janitors at the East Rochester and Gonic Halls, and the Sealer of Weights and Measures. This is to in no way affect the hourly or weekly rate and is to become effective upon the acceptance of the budget, and is to run to December 31, 1954. The money for the payment of this shall be taken from the account called "Revenue Surplus."

Passed February 2, 1954.

RESOLUTION ON THE 1954 BUDGET

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the sum of $913,105.00 be and is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of the City of Rochester for the ensuing year in accord with the budget herein adopted, and

That the sum of $712,805.50 plus such overlay as may be necessary is hereby ordered and directed to be raised by taxation, on the polls and rateable estates within said City.

Passed March 2, 1954.

RESOLUTION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER WORKS ADDITIONS AND FOR FLOATATION OF A BOND ISSUE.

WHEREAS, this Honorable Council did discuss proposed plans for construction of new Water Works additions at a Special Council Meeting, held March 20, 1953, as appears of record; and

WHEREAS, several Council Meetings and a Public Hearing have been held since the said March 20, 1953 meeting, in which additional plans, maps and other data have been furnished this Honorable Council; and

WHEREAS, said new construction plans were passed and approved at a regular meeting of this Council on October 6, 1953; and

WHEREAS, said new construction plans now require certain necessary alterations as a result of further investigation in accordance with written report to this Council on February 2, 1954, duly approved and accepted:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved as follows:

A. That the resolutions of July 7, 1953 and October 6, 1953; and the report of February 2, 1954; all be revoked and the following substituted therefor.

B. Amended plans as follows:

1. A twenty-four inch (24") cast iron-cement lined transmission main between Berry's River Diversion Dam and a point of discharge at Round Pond with a tee connection at Rochester Reservoir.

2. A twenty-inch (20") cast iron-cement lined transmission main from Reservoir to Brock Street.

3. An eighteen-inch (18") cast iron-cement lined transmission main from Brock Street to the back of the Allen School.

C. Extension of eighteen-inch (18") transmission main from Allen School to Main Street via Charles and Liberty Streets with additional connection to Congress Street line to provide increased pressure to existing lines.

D. Extension of Oak Street line to North Main Street via Washington Street, to provide increased pressure to existing lines.

E. A ten-inch (10") transmission main, approximately sixteen thousand feet (16,000') in length, commencing near the intersection of Chestnut Hill Road and extending Northerly along the Milton Road, with six-inch (6") branch lines on Flat Rock Bridge Road and Cross Road, approximately fourteen hundred feet (1,400') and eleven hundred feet (1,000') in length respectively.

F. That the City of Rochester shall finance this plan by the issuance of water bonds not to exceed $650,000, which said bonds

shall be paid out of revenues of the Rochester Water Works on account of both principal and interest on said bonds. Said bonds shall be guaranteed by the general credit of the City of Rochester. The issuance of said bonds is for the following purposes:

1. A sum not to exceed $403,000. for the construction in accordance with said amended plans as outlined in Section B above of this resolution.

2. A sum not to exceed $20,000. for the construction of Allen School extension to Main Street in accordance with Section C above of this resolution.

3. A sum not to exceed $7,800. for the construction of Oak Street extension to North Main Street in accordance with Section D above of this resolution.

4. A sum not to exceed $72,200. for the construction of Milton Road extension in accordance with Section E above of this resolution.

5. A sum not to exceed $118,500. for the refinancing of the present Water Debt of the City of Rochester Water Works.

6. A sum not to exceed $12,000. for plans, specifications and blue prints of the above said plan.

7. A sum not to exceed $12,000. for supervisory field work by competent engineers.

8. A sum not to exceed $4,500. for borings and exploration, legal expenses and bond promotional costs.

G. That the Mayor reappoint a committee to be known as the Water Construction Committee, said Committee shall consist of the Mayor as Chairman, and six members, of whom no more than three members shall be of the same political party, exclusive of the Chairman, and that all prior acts of said existing Water Construction Committee are hereby ratified and confirmed.

H. That this Honorable Council of the City of Rochester be and is hereby authorized to adopt the above said amended plans, as now submitted, with necessary minor alterations and modifications, as may be deemed essential and necessary by said Water Construction Committee.

I. That the Water Construction Committee be and is hereby authorized to enter into contracts for all labor and materials for the above said amended plans, provided, however, that all contracts shall require at least three (3) bids or quotations, if possible to obtain them, for said materials and/or labor, and provided further that said Committee be and is hereby authorized to negotiate on said contracts when necessary.

J. That said Water Construction Committee shall be and hereby is authorized to promote the sale of said bond issue to the best advantage of the City of Rochester.

K. That said Water Construction Committee shall be and hereby is empowered to revise and reorganize the present Water Department and the system of accounting, if found necessary,

but shall conform to the laws of the State of New Hampshire and the Ordinances of the City of Rochester in so doing.

L. That all engineering services, bond promotional fees, legal fees, advertising bids for bonds, material and labor, and other expenses incidental to the completion of this resolution shall be included in the said $650,000. total.

M. That said bond issue shall be made in accordance with the Municipal Budget Law, Chapter 72, Revised Laws of New Hampshire, as amended, and that said bonds shall be retired within thirty (30) years from the date of issuance of said bonds in accordance with said Chapter 72, as amended.

N. That the Water Construction Committee shall be and is hereby empowered to obtain any easements or other rights of way which may be necessary for the construction of said amended plans, and to transfer any unexpended balances from one project to another during construction as outlined in Section F. above of this resolution.

O. That upon completion of this construction any unused balances of money from the above appropriations shall be deposited to the credit of the Rochester Water Works in the Rochester Trust Company and usable only upon order of the Rochester City Council.

Passed March 10, 1954.

RESOLUTION FOR A BOND ISSUE FOR NEW WATER CONSTRUCTION

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act $650,000. bonds of the City shall be issued for laying water mains of at least six inches in diameter, the particular mains to be hereafter designated by the City Council. The expected useful life of said mains is hereby determined to be at least thirty years. The discretion of fixing the form and details of said bonds and of providing for the sale thereof is hereby delegated to the Mayor and Treasurer with the approval of the Committee on Finance. All prior action of the City Council inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

Passed March 29, 1954.

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONIES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER WORKS ADDITIONS.

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester:

1. That a sum not to exceed $403,000. be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of constructing the following:

(1) A twenty-four inch (24") cast iron, cement lined transmission main between Berry's River Diversion Dam and a

point of discharge at Round Pond with a tee connection at Rochester Reservoir.

(2) A twenty-inch (20") cast iron, cement lined transmission main from Reservoir to Brock Street.

(3) An eighteen-inch (18") cast iron, cement lined transmission main from Brock Street to the back of the Allen School.

2. That a sum not to exceed $20,000. be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of constructing an extension of eighteen-inch (18") transmission main from Allen School to Main Street via Charles and Liberty Streets with additional connection to Congress Street line to provide increased pressure to existing lines.

3. That a sum not to exceed $7,800. be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of constructing an extension of Oak Street line to North Main Street via Washington Street, to provide increased pressure to existing lines.

4. That a sum not to exceed $72,200. be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of constructing a ten-inch (10") transmission main, approximately sixteen thousand feet (16,000') in length, commencing near the intersection of Chestnut Hill Road and extending Northerly along the Milton Road, with six-inch (6") branch lines on Flat Rock Bridge Road and Cross Road, approximately fourteen hundred feet (1,400') and eleven hundred feet (1,100') in length respectively.

5. That a sum not to exceed $12,000. be and is hereby appropriated for plans, specifications and blue prints for construction of the above Water Works additions.

6. That a sum not to exceed $12,000. be and is hereby appropriated for supervisory field work by competent engineers for the construction of the above Water Works additions.

7. That a sum not to exceed $4,500. be and is hereby appropriated for borings and exploration, legal expenses and bond promotional costs for construction of the above Water Works additions.

8. That all prior actions of the City Council and Water Construction Committee, not inconsistent with the resolution of this Council of March 29, 1954, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Passed April 6, 1954.

RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE POLICE CRUISER

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the Police and Purchasing Committees be authorized to exchange the present 1952 Police Cruiser for a new 1954 four-door sedan at a sum not to exceed $1,000.00, said sum to be drawn from the account called "Revenue Surplus."

Passed April 6, 1954.

AMENDMENT TO THE TRAFFIC ORDINANCES

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City

of Rochester: That Section 3 of Chapter XVI, City of Rochester Ordinances, 1952 edition as amended, be further amended by adding after the words "Hanson Street" on line 14 at the top of page 45 of said Ordinances the following:

"except that there shall be no parking at any time on the southeasterly corner of said Hanson Street with the intersection of Central Avenue on the ramp leading to the driveway formerly zoned for one parking meter, said parking meter being the first parking meter easterly of said intersection of said Hanson Street with said Central Avenue."

Passed May 4, 1954.

RESOLUTION FOR PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL LAND ADJOINING CITY DUMP.

Be it resolved by the Honorable Mayor and City Council: That a sum not to exceed $300.00 be and is hereby appropriated to purchase the Hattie Dunlap land north of and adjacent to the City dump land on the easterly side of N. H. Route No. 11 in said Rochester. Said sum shall be raised by the Finance Committee by means deemed most advantageous to the City. The Committee on Public Works shall have power to act in making necessary negotiations therefor.

Passed June 1, 1954.

RESOLUTION ON TIME POLLS TO BE OPEN FOR SEPTEMBER 14 PRIMARY

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That on Tuesday, September 14, 1954, at the Primary Election, the polling places in all six wards of the City of Rochester shall be open at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and shall close at 6 o'clock in the evening, Daylight Saving Time.

Passed July 6, 1954.

RESOLUTION TO PAY WATER INDEBTEDNESS

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the Water Construction Committee be empowered to pay the existing indebtedness of the Water Department now held at the First National Bank and the Rochester Trust Co. of Rochester. This sum not to exceed $118,500. to be taken from the current Water Account.

Passed July 6, 1954.

RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE FIRE HOSE

Be it resolved by the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the sum of $1,176.00 be and is hereby appropriated to purchase fire hose for the City of Rochester. Of said amount the sum of $1,000.00 shall be appropriated from revenue surplus and the balance of $176.00 to be expended

from the 1954 City of Rochester Fire Budget, all by the Finance Committee and the Fire Committee.

Passed August 3, 1954.

RESOLUTION ON TIME POLLS TO BE OPEN FOR BIENNIAL ELECTION

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That on Tuesday, November 2, 1954, at the Biennial Election, the polling places in all six wards of the City of Rochester shall be open at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and shall close at 6 o'clock in the evening, Eastern Standard Time.

Passed September 7, 1954.

RESOLUTION TO CANCEL ARMORY LEASE

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: Whereas, the National Guard has abandoned its present headquarters at the Gus Schneider, Inc. premises off Oak Street, so-called, in Gonic; and

WHEREAS, the City is obligated to notify said Schneider as tenant; and

WHEREAS, said City has notified said Schneider; and

WHEREAS, both the said City and the said Schneider are desirous of terminating said lease without further liability.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, as follows:

1. That said lease be terminated without further costs; and

2. That the Mayor be authorized to execute and deliver mutual releases with said Schneider.

Passed October 5, 1954.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE COMPROMISE SETTLEMENT OF FIRE CLAIMS AGAINST BOSTON & MAINE RAILROAD

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester sustained certain financial losses incurred in the expense of fighting and extinguishing fire which started October 21, 1947; and

WHEREAS, suit was instituted against the Boston & Maine Railroad by the City of Rochester to recover for said expenses in 1949; and

WHEREAS, said suit having been tried before a jury at the September Term of the Strafford County Superior Court in 1951 at Dover, New Hampshire, which said trial resulted in disagreement of jury and mistrial; and

WHEREAS, said Railroad did appeal said decision to the New Hampshire Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, said Supreme Court has rendered an opinion May 19, 1954 (See State v. Boston & Maine Railroad (N. H.) 105 A.2d 751); and

WHEREAS, said Railroad has offered to pay said City the sum of Nine Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars and Eleven Cents ($9,493.11), which said sum is fifty (50) percent of the original claim of the City of Rochester against said Railroad of Eighteen Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Six Dollars and Twenty-One Cents ($18,986.21);

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved as follows:

1. That said City accept said payment in compromise of said disputed claim provided that said payment and acceptance is not to be construed as an admission of liability of said Railroad for setting said fire and/or for damages and expenses claimed to have been incurred and sustained by said City of Rochester in extinguishing said fire;

2. That said compromise payment of Nine Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars and Eleven Cents ($9,493.11) be and hereby is accepted to terminate all dispute of said City as to liability of said Railroad;

3. That the Mayor of said City be and hereby is to enter into and execute any and all necessary releases by and between said City of Rochester and said Railroad;

4. That the Mayor and Legal Affairs Committee be and hereby are authorized to negotiate any additional papers that may be necessary to settle the above matter, and to adjust any and all bills for legal fees and expenses.

Passed October 5, 1954.

RESOLUTION FOR SEWER AND WATER ON ROY STREET

Be it resolved by the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the sum of $1,094.42 be and is hereby appropriated for the construction of a six inch water main extension from Washington Street a distance of 350 feet northerly on Roy Street as extended by the Finance Committee by means deemed most advantageous to the City of Rochester, provided, that Philias and Adelia Roy, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns shall pay the sum of $966.40 to the City of Rochester for a six inch sanitary sewer extension from said Washington Street a distance of 340 feet northerly on Roy Street as extended.

Passed November 3, 1954.

RESOLUTION FOR WATER EXTENSION ON TINGLEY AND TOWLE STREETS

Be it resolved by the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the sum of $1,544.12 be and is

hereby appropriated for the construction of a six inch water main extension from the Old Dover Road for a distance of 320 feet on Tingley Street; thence turning and running for a distance of 150 feet on Towle Street; by the Finance Committee by means deemed most advantageous to the City of Rochester, provided, that Raymond Richardson, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns shall pay to the City of Rochester a contribution of $250.00 to help defray said costs for said water extension, and provided, further, that said Raymond Richardson provide said City with Warranty Deed to said Tingley Street and said Towle Street free and clear of all encumbrances.

Passed November 3, 1954.

RESOLUTION FOR SEWER AND WATER ON BIRCH STREET

Be it resolved by the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the sum of $1,614.82 be and is hereby appropriated for the construction of six inch water main extension for a distance of 500 feet westerly from Rochester Hill Road on Birch Street by the Finance Committee. Such moneys shall be raised by means deemed most advantageous to the City of Rochester by said Finance Committee; provided, however, that the said Albert G. Boivin, his heirs, administrators, executors and assigns shall pay to the City of Rochester the sum of $1,649.80 for a six inch sanitary sewer for a distance of 230 feet southerly on Rochester Hill Road from the present terminus; thence turning and running westerly along said Birch Street a distance of 400 feet and provided, further, that said Albert G. Boivin provide said City with Warranty Deed to said Birch Street free and clear of all encumbrances.

Passed November 3, 1954.

RESOLUTION TIME POLLS TO BE OPEN FOR CITY ELECTION

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That on Tuesday, December 7, 1954, at the City Election, the polling places in all six wards of the City of Rochester shall be open at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and shall close at 6 o'clock in the evening, Eastern Standard Time.

Passed November 3. 1954

RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER BALANCES, IF NECESSARY TO CLOSE BOOKS FOR 1954.

Be it resolved by the Mayor and the City Council:

That if found necessary in closing the accounts of the year to transfer from a Department where there is a balance to a Department where there is a deficit, the Committee on Finance be authorized to make such transfer.

Passed December 9, 1954.

RESOLUTION FOR WEEKLY WAGE BONUS

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the weekly wage or salary of each full-time employee of the City, with the exception of the City Marshal of the Police Department, the Chief of the Fire Department, the Commissioner of Public Works, and the City Engineer in the Public Works Department, but including the Sanitary Officer, be and is hereby increased by adding to the sum to which he is entitled under the 1952 General Ordinances, or existing pay schedules, the amount of five dollars ($5.00) per week for the year 1955; and

That the weekly salaries of the City Marshal of the Police Department and the Chief of the Fire Department shall each be and is hereby increased by adding to the sum to which they are entitled under the 1952 General Ordinances, the amount of seven dollars ($7.00) per week for the year 1955: and

That the weekly salary of the Commissioner of Public Works be and is hereby increased by adding to the sum to which he is entitled under the 1952 General Ordinances, the amount of six dollars ($6.00) per week, $3.50 of the above sum to be chargeable to the Highway Division and $2.50 per week to be chargeable to the Water Division of the Department of Public Works, for the year 1955.

Passed December 9, 1954

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR STORM DAMAGE

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That a sum not to exceed $15,000. be and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of reimbursement for storm damage, this money to be raised by borrowing or from the fund called "Revenue Surplus," at the judgment of the Finance Committee in the manner deemed most advantageous to the City of Rochester.

Passed December 9, 1954

ASSESSORS' INVENTORY

Land and buildings		$11,536,446.00
Electric plants	1	601,661.00
Horses	68	6,800.00
Cows	660	66,000.00
Other neat stock	68	3,400.00
Sheep and goats	69	690.00
Fowl	17,055	17,055.00
Fur bearing animals	36	1,800.00
Boats and launches	20	200.00
Portable mills	5	2,500.00
Wood, lumber, etc.		51,362.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks		19,395.00
Stock in trade		2,417,634.00
Mills and machinery		1,779,392.00
Dragline	1	500.00
		$16,504,835.00
Polls	5,682	11,364.00
National bank stock taxes		995.55
Amount of taxes to be committed to collector, including poll taxes and national bank taxes		714,668.65
Amount of property valuation exempted to soldiers		757,996.00
Tax rate for the year 1954		44.60

GEORGE J. POTVIN,
ALBERT R. CHALMERS,
LOUIS M. BOSTON,
Assessors.

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen: I present herewith a report of the financial condition of the City of Rochester at the close of business on December 31, 1954.

This report follows the simplified form used for the past three years to facilitate understanding and comparison.

The total Funded Debt on December 31, 1954, is $832,916.00, or an increase of $505,836.85 which is accounted for as follows:

Issued:		
General Fund	$15,000.00	
Water Bonds, Construction	650,000.00	
Total		$665,000.00
Paid:		
General Fund	$52,871.00	
Water	106,292.15	159,163.15
Increase		$505,836.85

The Budget Operations for the year show a balance of revenues over charges of $30,048.80 as broken down in Exhibit 3.

The Revenue Surplus on December 31, 1954, is $61,939.97. The 1954 entries affecting the Revenue Surplus account are as follows:

Balance—January 1, 1954		
General Fund	$65,165.21	
Federal Aid, Schools	$14,726.13	$ 79,891.34
Add: Federal Aid, Schools		13,581.96
Budget Surplus 1954		30,048.80
		$123,522.10
Less: Timber Tax Adjustment	1,609.50	
Police Cruiser	899.00	
Fire Hose	1,000.00	
Bonus, All Employees	7,548.00	
Budget	35,799.50	
Federal Aid, Schools	14,726.13	61,582.13
Balance—December 31, 1954		
General Fund	48,358.01	
Federal Aid, Schools	13,581.96	61,939.97

In my opinion, the attached balance sheets and related statements of revenues, appropriations and supporting exhibits present the financial position of the City of Rochester at Decem-

ber 31, 1954, in conformity with generally accepted municipal accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL H. BERGERON,
City Accountant.

Exhibit 1—General Fund

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current Assets:		
Cash, General Funds:		
In Bank,	$26,799.56	
In hands of City Clerk,	3,955.78	
In hands of Tax Collector	537.94	
Accounts Receivable:		
Job Work,	2,063.81	
Special Sewer Fund	15,525.60	
Tax Liens,	3,119.02	
Taxes, 1954, uncollected	48,097.86	
Timber Taxes, uncollected,	2,538.32	
Head Taxes, 1954, uncollected,	7,485.50	
Materials, Inventory as at December 31, 1954,	2,179.95	
Sewer Construction (unfinished)	890.12	
Total Assets		$113,193.46

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable:		
State of New Hampshire, Head Tax	$9,055.00	
Accrued Pay Rolls,	3,930.87	
Sundry Accrued Items,	2,203.40	
Special Appropriations, Unexpended Balances,	1,975.22	
Notes Payable, Sewer Fund,	18,000.00	
Deferred Credits:		
Departmental Credits, pending collection,	2,063.81	
Special Fund Balances,	2,020.43	
Reserves:		
Tax Abatements,	6,504.27	
Budget Encumbrances	3,708.29	
Veterans, World War II, Burial Lot	1,673.50	
Future Timber Tax Loss	118.70	
Revenue Surplus	61,939.97	
Total Liabilities		$113,193.46

Exhibit 2—Capital Fund

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1954

ASSETS

Real Estate:		
Land and Buildings,	$1,419,769.61	
Personal Property,	481,049.58	
Future Taxation to Retire Debt,	256,750.00	
Municipal Investment in Water Works,	356,393.69	
Trust Funds (see Exhibit 7),	70,357.09	
Total		$2,584,319.97

LIABILITIES

Funded Debt:		
Bonds:		
Water Construction,	$650,000.00	
Notes:		
Special Sewer Fund,	18,000.00	
Sewer Construction,	32,100.00	
Municipal Garage,	6,000.00	
Real Estate—Ward Four,	1,000.00	
General Equipment,	73,316.00	
Isinglass River Bridge,	9,000.00	
Gonic River Bridge,	6,000.00	
Highway Construction,	22,500.00	
Storm Damage, 1954,	15,000.00	
Trust Funds: (see Exhibit 7)		
Principal,	68,107.38	
Income, unexpended,	2,249.71	
Capital Surplus,	1,681,046.88	
Total,		$2,584,319.97

Exhibit 3—Comparative Summary of Revenues and Expenditures

(Budget vs. Actual)

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1954

REVENUES

	Budget	Actual	Actual Over	Budget Short
Tax Levy—1954,	$712,805.50	$715,197.41	$ 2,391.91	
Auto Permits,	47,500.00	51,928.57	4,428.57	
Schools,	31,500.00	25,372.33		6,127.67
Rent of Equipment,	1,500.00	632.25		867.75
State of New Hampshire,	59,000.00	56,687.26		2,312.75
Transferred 1953 Surplus,	35,799.50	35,799.50		
Parking Meters—(Highway Use),	5,000.00	5,000.00		
Other Revenues,	20,000.00	26,169.30	6,169.30	
Totals,	$913,105.00	$916,786.62	$12,989.78	$ 9,308.16
Actual Income over Estimates,	3,681.62			3,681.62
Totals,	$916,786.62	$916,786.62	$12,989.78	$12,989.78

EXPENDITURES

	Budget	Net Expenses	Appropriation Balance	Deficit
Administration:				
Salaries,	$ 28,000.00	$ 27,395.74	$ 604.26	
General,	5,700.00	4,193.95	1,506.05	
Elections and registrations,	3,300.00	3,315.86		15.86
Public Buildings:				
Janitors,	5,700.00	5,671.94	28.06	
Fuel,	3,300.00	3,238.12	61.88	
Lighting,	1,200.00	1,182.40	17.60	
Insurance,	2,600.00	2,688.27		88.27
All Other,	900.00	887.70	12.30	
Education:				
Schools,	398,500.00	398,484.01	15.99	
Public Library,	16,000.00	15,000.00	1,000.00	
Library—East Rochester,	600.00	600.00		
Protection:				
Police,	44,383.00	42,366.49	2,016.51	
Municipal Court,	2,280.00	2,280.00		

Fire,	65,000.00	61,859.70	3,140.30	
Health:				
Salaries,	3,071.00	3,090.08		19.08
Public Welfare:				
Administration,	2,600.00	2,384.60	215.40	
Direct Relief,	24,000.00	19,279.40	4,720.60	
Old Age Assistance,	19,400.00	15,536.75	3,863.25	
Debt Retirement,	49,300.00	49,300.00		
Debt Interest,	7,141.00	6,664.51	476.49	
Street Lighting,	23,500.00	22,613.08	886.92	
Traffic Lights,	400.00	536.51		136.51
County Tax,	54,180.00	54.132.74	47.26	
Legal Adjustments,	200.00	42.30	157.70	
Employee's Retirement,	6,500.00	7,450.42		950.42
Building Inspection,	2,500.00	2,521.56		21.56
Planning Board,	100.00	12.80	87.20	
Highways:				
Commissioner's Salary,	2,682.00	2,690.59		8.59
Maintenance pay roll,	35,000.00	34,745.94	254.06	
Street cleaning,	9,000.00	9,927.20		927.20
Snow removal and sanding,	17,100.00	14,802.21	2,297.79	
Road materials,	10,000.00	9,502.23	497.77	
Gas, oil and tires,	6,000.00	6,413.17		413.17
Repairs to equipment,	8,000.00	8,972.99		972.99
Surface drains and culverts,	3,000.00	3,318.30		318.30
Sidewalk repairs,	250.00	204.08	45.92	
Bridge repairs,	500.00	228.69	271.31	
Cutting bushes,	2,000.00	2,023.41		23.41
TRA App. "A,"	1,431.00	1,430.62	.38	
TRA App. "B,"	6,130.00		6,130.00	
Power and light,	400.00	454.00		54.00
Fuel,	1,500.00	1,550.00		50.00
Insurance,	2,500.00	2,155.95	344.05	
Telephones,	437.00	436.65	.35	
Other Supplies and expenses,	2,000.00	2,285.52		285.52
Sidewalk construction,	1,500.00	67.11	1,432.89	
Rubbish,	19,000.00	19,415.03		415.03
Sewer maintenance,	4,070.00	3,735.12	334.88	
Shade trees, parks and commons,	6,000.00	4,764.58	1,235.42	
District Nurse Association,	900.00	900.00		

Public band concert,	600.00	600.00		
Civil defense,	200.00	49.50	150.50	
Memorial and Armistice Days,	450.00	450.00		
Publicity,	450.00	450.00		
National Guard Unit,	900.00	1,686.00		786.00
Christmas decorations,	200.00	200.00		
Lakes Region Association	150.00	150.00		
V. F.W. Convention,	400.00	400.00		
Totals,	$913,105.00	$886,737.82	$31,853.09	$ 5,485.91
Budget in excess of Expenses,		26,367.18		26,367.18
Totals,	$913,105.00	$913,105.00	$31,853.09	$31,853.09

SUMMARY

Actual Income over estimates,	$3,681.62
Budget over actual expenses,	26,367.18
Net Balance to the Revenue Surplus Account,	$30,048.80

Exhibit 4—Real Estate and Personal Property

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1954

	Real Estate	Personal Property	Total
City Hall,	$139,911.49	$11,304.57	$151,216.06
Fire Stations:			
Central Station,	20,000.00	112,619.57	132,619.57
East Rochester Station,	6,000.00		6,000.00
Tiger Engine House,	4,000.00		4,000.00
Public Library,	57,000.00	18,691.98	75,691.98
Police Department,		10,922.31	10,922.31
Parking Meters,		13,430.03	13,430.03
Hot Top Plant,	500.00		500.00
Municipal Garage,	46,164.57	145,994.60	192,159.17
Schools:			
Spaulding High,	875,000.00	136,180.36	1,011,180.36
Maple Street,	70,000.00	7,062.24	77,062.24
Allen,	25,000.00	4,724.43	29,724.43
School Street,	20,000.00	4,494.51	24,494.51
Gonic,	20,000.00	4,484.73	24,484.73
East Rochester,	12,000.00	4,639.32	16,639.32
Parks and Commons,	102,336.20		102,336.20
*Water Works,	356,393.69		356,393.69
Ward House, Linden Street,	900.00	254.13	1,154.13
Ward House, Ward Four,	5,500.00		5,500.00
Bonney Lot, Farmington Road,	500.00		500.00
City Dump Lot, Farmington Road,	325.00		325.00
McDuffee Lot, Farmington Road,	75.00		75.00
Dunlap Lot, Farmington Road,	250.00		250.00
Gravel Pit, Charles Street,	775.00		775.00
Hanson Lot, Salmon Falls Road,	100.00		100.00
Ward House, Wentworth St.,	1,500.00		1,500.00
American Legion Building,	6,700.00		6,700.00
Garland Property, East Rochester,	400.00		400.00
Sundry Real Estate, acquired by Tax Collector deeds,	1,050.00		1,050.00
Materials Inventory,		2,179.95	2,179.95
Sewerage Department Equipment,		6,177.80	6,177.80
Ward House, Ward Two		69.00	69.00
Parking Lot Entrance,	225.00		225.00
Salt Shed,	3,557.35		3,557.35
Totals:	$1,776,163.30	$483,229.53	$2,259,392.83

* This figure represents the capital contribution of the Municipality to the Water Works Division.

Exhibit 5—Funded Debt Outstanding

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1954

Year of Retirement	Ward Four House	Municipal Garage	Highway Construction	General Equipment	Isinglass Bridge	Gonic Bridge	Storm Damage	Sewer Construction	General Fund Total	Sewer Fund	Water Bonds	Grand Totals
1955	$1,000.00	$3,000.00	$6,500.00	$26,580.00	$2,000.00	$750.00		$6,000.00	$45,830.00	$2,000.00	$ 15,000.00	$ 62,830.00
1956		3,000.00	6,500.00	24,080.00	2,000.00	750.00	3,000.00	4,200.00	43,530.00	2,000.00	15,000.00	60,530.00
1957			9,500.00	16,776.00	2,000.00	750.00	3,000.00	2,800.00	34,826.00	2,000.00	15,000.00	51,826.00
1958				5,880.00	2,000.00	750.00	3,000.00	5,100.00	16,730.00	2,000.00	15,000.00	33,730.00
1959					1,000.00	750.00	3,000.00	2,800.00	7,550.00	2,000.00	15,000.00	24,550.00
1960						750.00	3,000.00	2,800.00	6,550.00	2,000.00	15,000.00	23,550.00
1961						750.00		2,800.00	3,550.00	2,000.00	15,000.00	20,550.00
1962						750.00		2,800.00	3,550.00	2,000.00	20,000.00	25,550.00
1963								2,800.00	2,800.00	2,000.00	20,000.00	24,800.00
1964 *on*											505,000.00	505,000.00
Totals	$1,000.00	$6,000.00	$22,500.00	$73,316.00	$9,000.00	$6,000.00	$15,000.00	$32,100.00	$164,916.00	$18,000.00	$650,000.00	$832,916.00

FUNDED DEBT ANALYSIS

	Water Works	Sewer Fund*	General Fund	Totals
Balance—January 1, 1954	$106,292.15	$20,041.00	$200,746.00	$327,079.15
Notes Issued	650,000.00**		15,000.00	665,000.00
Totals	$756,292.15	$20,041.00	$215,746.00	$992,079.15
Paid	106,292.15	2,041.00	50,830.00	159,163.15
Balance—December 31, 1954	$650,000.00**	$18,000.00*	$164,916.00	$832,916.00

* Sewer Fund Notes are offset by Accounts Receivable

** Bonds payable for a 30 year period

Exhibit 6—Summary of Taxes Collected by Tax Collector

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1954

1953 PROPERTY AND POLL TAXES

Balance, uncollected on January 1, 1954	$44,244.83	
Cash in Collector's hands January 1, 1954	1,777.49	
Added List:		
Property	130.48	
Polls	426.00	
Interest on delinquent payments	803.23	
Total charges to Tax Collector		$47,382.03
Credits:		
Abatements—property	$123.90	
Abatements—polls	1,088.00	$1,211.90
Bank Deposits by Tax Collector		46,170.13
Total Credits		$47,382.03

1954 PROPERTY AND POLL TAXES

Committed by Assessors:		
Property	$702,309.10	
Polls	11,364.00	
National Bank Stock Tax	995.55	
Added List:		
Property	1,033.82	
Polls	800.00	
Interest on delinquent payments	48.79	
Total Charges to Tax Collector		$716,551.26
Credits:		
Bank deposits by Tax Collector	$668,254.46	
Cash in hands of Tax Collector	198.94	
		$668,453.40
Balance, uncollected on December 31, 1954		$48,097.86

1953 HEAD TAXES

Balance, uncollected January 1, 1954	$7,167.00	
Added List	1,975.00	
Penalties	723.00	
Total debits		$9,865.00
Credits:		
Collected	7,075.00	
Abated	2,790.00	
Total Credits		$9,865.00

1954 HEAD TAXES

Committed by Assessors	$34,225.00	
Added List	2,465.00	
Total debits		$36,690.00
Deposit in Bank	$28,865.50	
Cash in hands of Tax Collector	339.00	
		$29,204.50
Balance, uncollected on December 31, 1954		$7,485.50

Exhibit 7—Trust Funds Account

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1954

PRINCIPAL					INCOME			
Year of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	Amount of Principal	Rate of Int.	Income on hand Jan. 1, '54	Income Rec'd During Year	Income Exp. During Year	Income on Hand Dec. 31, 1954
1874	Adams Fund (Seth Adams and Lewis Tibbetts)	Poor widows, orphans and maiden ladies	$12,800.00	2½%	$326.49	$320.00	$286.00	$360.49
1915	Abbott Cemetery Fund (Priscilla J. Abbott)	Care of family lot	300.00	2½%		7.50	7.50	
1913	Dore Cemetery Fund (Annie B. Dore)	Care of family burial lot	400.00	2½%		10.00	10.00	
1911	Estes Cemetery Fund (Elizabeth C. Estes)	Care of Donor's burial lot	200.00	2½%		5.00	5.00	
1916	Haven Hill Cemetery Fund (Lewis W. Tibbetts)	Care of Haven Hill Cemetery	3,000.00	2½%		75.00	75.00	
1907	Morrill Cemetery Fund (Lizzie A. Morrill)	Care of Donor's burial lot	100.00	2½%		2.50	2.50	
1916	Wingate Cemetery Fund (Lewis W. Tibbetts)	Care of Wingate Family lot	200.00	2½%		5.00	5.00	
1902	Moore Cemetery Fund (John E. Moore)	Care of Donor's and other lots in Gonic Cemetery	200.00	2½%		5.00	5.00	
1921	Boothby Cemetery Fund (Edwin L. Shorey)	Care of Boothby burial lot	100.00	2½%		2.50	2.50	
1933	Brown Cemetery Fund (Mary A. Brown)	Care of Jenness burial ground	200.00	2½%	13.84	10.00	4.00	19.84
1934	Torr Cemetery Fund (Mrs. Charles C. Torr)	Care of Torr family burial grounds	100.00	2½%	3.29	2.50	2.50	3.29
1934	Hammett Cemetery Fund (Ephraim O. Hammett)	Care of lot in Rochester Cemetery	200.00	2½%	376.23	5.00	5.00	376.23

PRINCIPAL					INCOME			
Year of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	Amount of Principal	Rate of Int.	Income on hand Jan. 1, '54	Income Rec'd During Year	Income Exp. During Year	Income on Hand Dec. 31, 1954
1934	Hammett Cemetery Fund (Ephraim O. Hammett)	Care of lot in Haven Hill Cemetery	50.00	2½%	76.05	1.26	1.26	76.05
1934	Hammett Cemetery Fund (Ephraim O. Hammett)	Care of John Clark lot in Rochester Cemetery	25.00	2½%	27.60	.62	.62	27.60
1934	Willand Cemetery Fund (Charles W. Willand)	Care of Willand lots on Chestnut Hill Road	200.00	2½%	75.40	5.03		80.43
1890	Old Cemetery Conservation Fund, Perpetua, Charles A. C. Hanson et als.	Perpetual care of Old Cemetery and Specific Lots	6,639.37	2½%		165.98	165.98	
1927	John McDuffee Fund (Abbie McDuffee Chase)	Books for the Public Library	5,000.00	2½%		125.00	125.00	
1933	Samuel D. Felker Fund (Mary D. Felker)	Books for the Public Library	5,000.00	2½%		125.00	125.00	
1938	Charles and Aroline B. Greenfield Fund (Sarah E. Young)	General Library Purposes	5,000.00	2½%		125.00	125.00	
1940	Sarah L. Varney Scholarship Fund	Rochester Women's Club Scholarship	5,000.00	2½%	62.50	125.00	125.00	62.50
1941	John Greenfield Library Fund (Mary A. Greenfield)	Books for the Public Library	5,000.00	2½%		125.00	125.00	
1940	Sarah L. Varney Library Fund	Books for the Public Library	1,000.00	2½%		25.00	25.00	
1943	The John Hanscam Trust Fund (Etta R. Hanscam)	General library purposes	5,000.00	2½%		125.00	125.00	
1900	Jennie Farrington Annex Fund	Books for the Public Library	1,000.00	2½%		25.00	25.00	

PRINCIPAL					INCOME			
Year of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	Amount of Principal	Rate of Int.	Income on hand Jan. 1, '54	Income Rec'd During Year	Income Exp. During Year	Income on Hand Dec. 31, 1954
1944	Trickey Cemetery Fund (Myra I. Ames)	Care of Cemetery on Chestnut Hill Road	150.00	2½%	34.03	3.74		37.77
1944	Rear Adm. Charles L. Hussey, USN Per. Mem. Fund (Frances H. Bickford)	A selected Senior at Spaulding High School	3,000.00	2½%	37.50	75.00	75.00	37.50
1951	George A. and Hattie A. Pray Fund (George A. Pray)	Needy Widows and maiden ladies of fifty years and over	8,243.01	2½%	389.54	207.62	175.00	422.16
			$68,107.38*		$1,422.47	$1,709.25	$1,627.86	$1,503.86
SPECIAL FUNDS								
	Old Town Farm Cemetery Fund	Created from sale of lots. Both principal and interest can be used.			53.47	1.34		54.81
	Old Cemetery Specific Emergency Fund	Created from Income of Old Cemetery Conservation Fund.			649.17	36.94		686.11
	Old Cemetery General Emergency Fund	Created from Income of Old Cemetery ConservationFund.			4.93			4.93
					$707.57	$38.28		$745.85

* Funds, in the amount of $67,600.00, are invested in United States Savings Bonds, Series G, at 2½% interest. Balance of Funds, in the amount of $507.38, is deposited in the Rochester Trust Company, at 2½% interest.

Exhibit 8—Rochester Water Works Division

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1954

ASSETS

	1954	1953
Plant Assets:		
Land,	$22,208.50	$22,208.50
Structures,	21,429.67	21,429.67
Water Supply Equipment,	58,630.87	58,630.87
Pumping Station Equipment,	2,457.24	2,457.24
Purification Equipment,	10,676.16	10,676.16
Transmission Mains,	115,073.39	115,073.39
Water Storage Equipment,	16,488.13	16,488.13
Distribution Mains,	467,629.65	467,629.65
Services,	92,739.13	89,459.99
Hydrants,	42,156.00	42,156.00
Meters,	50,734.55	48,199.20
Shop and Garage Equipment,	36,864.36	36,864.36
Office Equipment,	900.45	900.45
Unfinished Construction,	503,067.34	
Total Plant Assets,	$1,441,055.44	$932,173.61
Current Assets:		
Cash in Bank and on Hand,	$62,502.56	$5,848.25
Accounts Receivable:		
Water,	$32,899.60	$34,225.74
Sundry,	3,040.35	2,879.51
Total	$35,939.95	$37,105.25
Less-Reserve for Delinquent Accounts,	1,676.94	1,743.99
Total Accounts Receivable, Net,	$34,263.01	$35,361.26
Materials and Supplies Inventory,	$11,537.13	$12,425.23
Total Current Asests,	$108,691.87	$53,634.74
Prepaid Accounts:		
Insurance,	$285.57	$256.34
Taxes,	103.60	87.97
Total Prepaid Accounts,	$389.17	$344.31
Total Assets,	$1,549,747.31	$986,152.66

LIABILITIES

Capital Liabilities:		
Funded Debt,	$650,000.00	$106,292.15
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable,	1,601.90	1,915.58
Accrued Liabilities:		
Interest,	2,708.26	554.60
Pay Roll,	514.31	307.14
Total Current Liabilities,	$4,824.47	$2,777.32
Reserves:		
Depreciation of Plant Assets,	$374,515.45	$359,412.78
Capital Contributions:		
Municipality,	$356,393.69	$356,393.69
In Aid of Construction,	33,694.28	33,671.96
Total Capital Contributions,	$390,087.97	$390,065.65
Surplus (Profit and Loss),	$130,319.42	$127,604.76
Total Liabilities,	$1,549,747.31	$986,152.66

Exhibit 9—Rochester Water Works Division

COMPARATIVE OPERATING STATEMENT
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1954

Revenues:	1954	1953
Commercial Sales,	$58,437.34	$58,879.46
Industrial Sales,	5,310.41	6,189.44
Hydrant Rentals,	180.00	180.00
Merchandise Sales and Job Work,	2,657.21	3,074.26
Other Income,	10,099.78	3,735.12
Total Revenues,	$76,684.74	$72,058.28
Operating Expenses:		
Water Supply Expenses:		
Superintendence,	$300.00	$300.00
Water Supply Labor,	3,459.84	$3,389.87
Pumping Station Labor,	1,965.06	1,987.89

Miscellaneous Labor,	13.40	236.91
Pumping Station Supplies and Expenses,	134.03	129.35
Purification Supplies and Expenses,	1,004.20	1,085.22
Power Purchased,	1,496.36	1,312.39
Total Water Supply Expenses,	$8,372.89	$8,441.63
Distribution Expenses:		
Superintendence,	$1,836.81	$1,833.49
Engineering,	4,213.46	4,205.38
Maintenance Labor,	13,410.94	10,610.07
Meter Department Labor,	757.87	921.43
Other Supplies and Expenses,	533.23	490.45
Repairs to Mains,	484.73	826.23
Repairs to Services,	1,059.39	629.93
Repairs to Hydrants,	833.92	554.76
Repairs to Meters,	972.88	1,701.06
Total Distribution Expenses,	$24,103.23	$21,772.80
Other Expenses:		
Salaries,	$2,600.00	$2,600.00
Office and other General Expenses,	937.35	511.47
Insurance,	451.08	386.20
Shop,	1,640.58	1,737.85
Garage,	4,562.53	5,147.06
Taxes,	398.77	365.60
Interest,	12,127.50	2,246.78
Loss on Capital Assets Retired,	31.35	103.30
Freight,	325.96	232.86
Employees' Retirement,	3,126.36	3,878.77
Total Other Expenses,	$26,201.48	$17,209.89
Total Operating Expenses,	$58,677.60	$47,424.32
Gross Profit before Depreciation,	$18,007.14	$24,633.96
Less-Depreciation,	15,292.48	15,140.46
Net Profit to Surplus,	$2,714.66	$9,493.50

COMPARATIVE SURPLUS ANALYSIS

(Profit and Loss)

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1954

	1954	1953	Increase or * Decrease
Balance as at January 1,	$127,604.76	$118,111.26	$9,493.50
Add—Net Profit from operations,	2,714.66	9,493.50	6,778.84*
Balance as at December 31	$130,319.42	$127,604.76	$2,714.66

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Roads and Streets
Water System
Bridges
Sewers
Parks and Playgrounds
Rubbish Collection

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council, Rochester, N. H.:

From the point of view of activity, 1954 was the biggest year in the history of the Public Works Department. Early in the year several hydrants were installed and a few were raised where they had been set too low. Later many services were installed and main extensions were laid in the Cooper development, Oak Street, Gonic, and in April the 10-inch main extension from Oak Street to Strafford Square on Washington Street was started. Before the end of May the Washington Street job was completed, several more services were installed and the Milton Road water extension was started. In the meantime work on the contract for the transmission line from the Reservoir to the City had been in progress and several times the City forces had to interrupt work on the Milton Road and other projects to perform work in connection with the transmission line that was not covered by the contract and occasionally to install new services in other parts of town as they were needed. Among other things, this work in connection with the transmission line included making a temporary hook-up at the Chlorinator to assure pure water while connections were made that necessitated by-passing the regular point of chlorination.

Work was well along on the Milton Road and progress more than satisfactory when Hurricanes Carol and Edna hit and for over a month all of the water construction and maintenance forces were busy assisting the regular highway crew and some temporary employees in clearing away and disposing of trees, limbs and stumps.

Early in October work was resumed on the Milton Road project and the work was completed and the line flushed November 5th. The rest of November and December saw the completion of the Berry Brook intake and several hundred feet of 18-inch pipe laid on the line to connect the new pipeline from the Reservoir through to existing mains on Main and Congress Streets.

During the winter and spring when no work on snow or sanding was needed, a few days each month were used for cutting bushes on various country roads. Likewise patching streets was done a few days each month and street cleaning in some degree was done increasingly as the streets became bare of snow.

In March and April, ditches were cut and the roadway widened on Lowell Street and two sections of Tibbetts Road were gravelled in preparation for tarring later in the year. At about this same time the snow fences were taken down and stored and drops and culverts opened to accommodate the spring run-off.

Nearly all of the employees of the department were on vacation during the week of July 4th and on their return, patching, grading and gravelling in preparation for tarring was resumed. Tarring started the first of August and was still in progress when Hurricane Carol struck August 31st. Several men with power saws were hired as fast as they could be reached and all Public Works employees were out opening up streets closed by fallen trees even before the winds had subsided. By midnight all main thoroughfares and most of the other streets in the City were opened up sufficiently to allow traffic to move.

The City is greatly indebted to the telephone and power crews who cooperated with City forces in cleaning up many areas. A 50-ton crane brought in by the telephone company lifted large trees that were lodged against houses and permitted their removal without further damage to the buildings in a small fraction of the time that would have been required by other means.

In about six weeks most of the work of removing hurricane debris was completed but at least a few men were kept on hurricane work most of the time until after the first of December.

Snow fences were again erected in mid-November and the first week in December brought the first snow that required plowing and snow removal. Storms later in the month required plowing, snow removal, salting and sanding during most of the last half of the month.

Many of the usual functions of the department were curtailed or eliminated by the unusual demands of hurricane work and the large amount of work in connection with the water construction projects, but all of the essential services of both the Highway and the Water Divisions were performed.

Again I wish to thank the Mayor and City Council, other members of the City Government and all employees of the Public Works Department for their cooperation and valued assistance in the work of the department during the past year.

WATER MAINS

Woodman and Charles Sts., 18-inch main extended	822 feet
Milton Road, 10-inch main extended	15,750 feet
Washington St., 10-inch main extended	1,671 feet
Flat Rock Bridge Road, 8-inch main extended	1,390 feet
Cross Road, 6-inch main extended	1,104 feet

Old Dover Road, 6-inch main extended	135 feet
Edgewood Lane, 6-inch main extended	785 feet
Hillcrest Drive, 6-inch main extended	373 feet
Dartmouth Lane, 6-inch main extended	524 feet
Madison Ave., 6-inch main extended	131 feet
Total Main Extensions	22,685 feet

Summary of Pipe Laid

18-inch Cast Iron Pipe	822 feet
10-inch Cast Iron Pipe	17,421 feet
8-inch Cast Iron Pipe	1,390 feet
6-inch Cast Iron Pipe	3,052 feet
	22,685 feet

SERVICE MAINS

Hussey Street, 2-inch Galvanized Pipe	245 feet
Schley Street, 2-inch Galvanized Pipe	237 feet
Hillcrest Drive, 1½-inch Copper Tube	60 feet
Hillcrest Drive, 1¼-inch Copper Tube	211 feet
Foch Street, 1-inch Galvanized Pipe	70 feet
Schley Street, 1-inch Galvanized Pipe	140 feet
Yale Street, 1-inch Galvanized Pipe	47 feet
Total Service Mains Extended	1,010 feet

HYDRANTS

City-owned hydrants, Rochester, East Rochester, Gonic, in use 1953	351	
City-owned hydrants added 1954	12	
Total December 31, 1954		363
Private hydrants in use 1954		34
Private hydrants added 1954		0
Hydrants in South Lebanon, Maine		6
Total Hydrants in use on system		403
Hydrants repaired		8

SERVICES

Total number of services, 1953	3,355
Services added less 4 discontinued, 1954	71
Total Services, 1954	3,426
Services relaid, 1954	15
Service leaks repaired, 1954	28

METERS

Meters in use, 1953	3,008
New meter settings	57
Total Meters in use, 1954	3,065

Summary of Sewer Division Activities:

Connections, 1953	2,532
New connections	48
Total Connections, 1954	2,580
Connections cleaned, 1954	60

SEWER MAINS

Oak Street, Gonic 6-inch main extended	176 feet
Madison Avenue, 6-inch main extended	143 feet
Hillcrest Drive, 6-inch main extended	247 feet
Total Sewer Main Extensions	566 feet

Yours respectfully,

PORTER ROBERTS,
Commissioner.

REPORT OF CITY MARSHAL

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester:

Gentlemen: At this time I have the honor to submit for your consideration the report of the activities of the Police Department of the City of Rochester, for the year just passed, ending on December 31, 1954, as follows:

At the time of filing our report for the year 1953, there were pending and undisposed of 12 cases.

During the month of January, 1954, there were disposed of 10 cases leaving pending and undisposed of at this time from the year 1953, 2 cases.

During the year 1954 we have had the following cases:

Criminal Arrests	195	
Motor Vehicle Arrests	167	
		362

THESE ARRESTS WERE MADE BY

Rochester Police Department	261
State Police Department	51
Motor Vehicle Department	17
Sheriff's Department	15
Other Police Departments	16
Conservation Department	1
Fish and Game Department	1
	362

Before the Municipal Court and sentenced	231
Before the Municipal Court and continued for sentence	3
Before the Court and continued	3
Before the Court and continued for arraignment	1
Nol prossed	13
Voided	1
Turned over to another State	4
Released to Army	1
Turned over to Sheriff	5
Turned over to Grenier Air Force	2
Turned over to State Police	3
Dropped in this Court	1
Wife refused to prosecute	1
Never brought forward	1
Found not guilty	10
Released by the Court	1
Dismissed	1
Released after safekeeping	77
Pending	3
	362

Buildings checked and found unlocked	123
Traffic investigations	186
Defective equipment tags issued	2
Animals killed	48
Accidents reported at station	248
Warnings given	21
Complaints answered	1,115
Aids to other departments	409
Lodgers	377
Calls for ambulance	116
Personal injuries, automobile	112
Reports of animals killed or hit	58
Bicycles registered	50
Aids to individuals	554
Pay roll and store escorts	162
Traffic details	110
Reports of street and traffic lights out	223
Picked up for questioning	1
Money received from parking fines	$452.75
Money received from parking meters	$14,604.42

In the annual report submitted by the Clerk of the Municipal Court, will be found the amount of money received from Court fines and fees.

In closing this report I wish to thank His Honor, the Mayor, the members of the Police Committee, and the members of the City Council, for the confidence placed in me, and for the help and cooperation rendered to myself and the Police Department. I also at this time wish to thank the members of the Police Department for their cooperation.

This Department at this time also wishes to express its appreciation to the Court, the City Solicitor, all the various other State, County and Municipal Departments for their cooperation and assistance extended to us.

Respectfully submitted,

VANE E. NICKERSON,
City Marshal.

REPORT OF CITY SOLICITOR

To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester:

I herewith submit my report as City Solicitor for 1954.

The pending suit against the Boston & Maine Railroad by the City for damage and expenses incurred in fighting the October, 1947, fire was settled by unanimous vote of the City Council on October 5, 1954.

Construction of the National Guard Armory on Brock Street was begun and almost completed due to the prompt and effective cooperation between the Mayor and Council and State officials.

A study of the existing Building Code and Zoning Ordinances was initiated by order of the Mayor and City Council, consisting of the undersigned as Chairman, with Walter Williams and Albert Hervey as committee members.

Considerable time was also expended by your Solicitor on the proposed Spaulding Turnpike Toll Road hearing and proposed public parking areas.

As usual, all other legal questions which have arisen during the year have been disposed of without litigation.

I want to thank everyone in all departments for their cooperation and help during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL B. URION,
City Solicitor

REPORT OF CLERK OF MUNICIPAL COURT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council, Rochester, N. H.:

I herewith submit a statement of the condition of the finances of the Rochester Municipal Court as of December 31, 1954.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1954	$8.92
Balance in checking account January 1, 1954	2.03
Received from fines and fees	3,674.50
Received from sale of civil writs, entry fees and executions	62.17
	$3,747.62

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid to City Treasurer	$1,600.00
Paid to Motor Vehicle Department	1,657.80
Paid to Fish and Game Commission	40.50
Paid to Unemployment Compensation Division	18.00
Paid to Public Service Commission	27.00
Witnesses and other fees	165.64
Printing, supplies and stenographic hire	129.93
Associate Justice	91.00
Bank charges	9.67
Bond premium	5.00
Cash on hand December 31, 1954	0.00
Balance in checking account December 31, 1954	3.08
	$3,747.62

NUMBER OF CRIMINAL CASES

Complaints filed as follows:		
Local Police Department	184	
State	69	
County	22	
Fish and Game	2	
Unemployment Compensation	2	
Public Service Commission	1	
Milton	19	
		299
Civil cases	8	
Juvenile cases	41	
Small claims	203	
		252
Total number of cases		530

VICTOR CARDOSI,
Clerk.

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of Victor Cardosi, Clerk of the Municipal Court of Rochester, for the year ending December 31, 1954, and I find them as set forth in the above statement with all payments to the Treasurer and otherwise properly receipted for, together with no cash balance on hand and checking account balance of $3.08.

LEONARD C. HARDWICK,
Justice.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council, Rochester, N. H.:

Gentlemen: I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1954. I have tested and sealed

Scales	251
Cloth Measures	5
Yardsticks	6
Gasoline Pumps	111
Kerosene Pumps	2
Grease Pumps	45
Liquid Measures	192
Wood Carts	4
Oil Trucks	32
Tank Calibration Meters	6
Rechecks	178

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD J. GRENIER,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester:

Gentlemen: I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1954.

There were 241 alarms in the City of Rochester, which consisted of 55 box alarms, 186 still alarms, 8 engineer's calls, 6 brush fires, 21 car fires, 8 out of town calls, 1 false alarm in Rochester, 2 false alarms in East Rochester, 1 false alarm in Gonic.

There were 14 calls in East Rochester, 15 calls in Gonic.

There were 7 special signals, 1 Girl Scout, 1 Permanent Men's call, 3 for Muscular Dsytrophy Drive and 2 for Civilian Defense.

Estimated value of buildings	$236,100.00
Insurance on same	151,426.00
Insurance paid	24,574.93
Estimated value of contents	110,935.00
Insurance on same	74,535.00
Insurance paid	20,411.20

At this time I wish to express my appreciation to His Honor, the Mayor, Members of the City Council, Committee on Fire Department, the Police Department, the Board of Deputies, and Members of the Department, and to all other persons who have rendered us help throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. SEAVEY,
Chief Engineer.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester, N. H.:

We hereby submit our report for the year ending December 31, 1954:

Number of infectious or contagious diseases reported:

Mumps	354
Measles	43
Chicken pox	67
Whooping cough	23
Scarlet fever	7
Impetigo	3
Poliomyelitis	14
Scalp ringworm	9
Tuberculosis	1

Clinics:

Well baby—76 attending
Mental hygiene—134 attending
T. B. Clinics—144 attending

Whole number of deaths excluding stillbirths for year	207
Number of stillbirths	12
Number of deaths from cancer	32
Number of deaths from cardio-renal and arterio-sclerosis diseases	109

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK N. DOW, Health Officer,
CHARLES E. MOORS, City Physician,
FORREST L. KEAY, M.D., Overseer of Poor.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester, N. H.:

The following shows the names and amounts of direct relief furnished each applicant by the City of Rochester, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1954:

Joseph Boisvert	$183.00
Louis Potvin	214.65
Leland Ballou	366.85
Wilfred Doyon	435.00
Mrs. Ray Laskey	70.00

Eva Coran	360.80
Francis Jarest	200.00
Cleon Cilley	369.32
Ray Crosby	288.55
Mary Lambert	117.20
Alice Demeritt	250.63
Dolan Downs	276.46
Joseph Dumont	64.08
Grace Eldridge	415.30
Mrs. John Hodgdon	559.31
Leon Hodgdon	363.50
Minnie Malsbury	549.08
Llewellyn Robinson	213.50
Edmund Young	365.00
Robert Shaw	492.52
Woodrow Towle	150.00
Angelina Hayes	53.00
Elmer Rennie	193.46
Harlene Tebbetts	620.36
Warren Rainaud	303.86
Helen Boston	24.00
Rose LeClair	4.00
Henry Wingate	187.50
Grace Garland	16.20
Mrs. Lewis Lemelin	120.66
Gordon Casey	926.15
Mabel Abbott	93.60
Howard Nichols	221.76
Joseph St. Lawrence	100.00
Norma Hutchins	74.00
Walter Harriman	11.95
Charles Hanson	196.00
Evelyn Lanoix	7.15
Samuel Ploude	10.00
Edith Hayes	78.00
Leroy Jenness	108.00
Joan Gray	97.10
Total amount for city poor	$9,751.50

Board and care cases—children:

Gail Howe	$224.16
Lorraine Hayes	266.00
David Andrews	733.50
Diane Jarest	587.88
Carol and Linda Clement	840.00
Robert and Richard Emmond	735.25
Aloha and Gregory Morin	883.17
Peter Pike	136.47
Lawrence Rennie	472.66
David Vinson	141.06
Rebecca Getchus	128.56
Arthur, Edmond, Ralph, Albion Hartford	1,735.81

Ralph Hayes	365.52	
Total amount board and care children		$7,250.04
Board and care—adults:		
Sumner Tilton	$1,542.30	
Thomas Collins	389.14	
Michael Kelliher	105.00	
John Phinney	349.87	
Cecelia Pare	174.00	
James Haley	20.00	
Clarence Andrews	10.00	
Jennie Chalmers	177.39	
Mary Amory	307.15	
Mary Letourneau	308.60	
Arnold McCrillis	920.10	
Total amount board and care adults		$4,303.55
Total amount for soldier's aid		1,213.20
Office supplies, administration and telephone		2,477.85
Total amount written		$24,996.14
Refunds on direct relief:		
Ray Crosby	$119.40	
Elmer Rennie	64.68	
Grace Garland	55.00	
Gail Howe	113.00	
Rebecca Getchus	32.00	
Albion Hartford	400.00	
Total refunds		$784.08
Net amount for direct relief, board and care cases, soldier's aid and administration		24,212.06
Amount of appropriation		26,600.00
Old Age Assistance (25% paid by City of Rochester)		18,423.17
Refunds on Old Age Assistance:		
Harry Webber	$30.38	
Alice Webber	3.76	
Lucinda Robbins	37.07	
George Palmer	71.18	
Total refunds		142.39
Net amount for Old Age Assistance		18,280.78
Appropriation for Old Age Assistance		19,400.00

Respectfully submitted,

FORREST L. KEAY, M.D.,
Overseer of Poor.

REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester:

Herewith is a report of building in Rochester each month for the year 1954:

	New Houses		Apartments		Businesses		Garages		Miscellaneous		Total	
Jan.	1	$6,000					1	$2,500	1	$800	3	$9,300
Feb.	1	9,000	1	4,000	1	500	1	2,500			4	16,000
Mar.	10	86,500	3	3,500	1	1,100	2	2,500	8	5,000	24	98,600
Apr.	7	55,550	5	23,100	1	1,000	4	14,500	9	10,950	26	105,100
May	15	135,000			7	4,400	5	5,900	11	3,050	38	148,350
June	8	78,400	1	3,000	1	500	2	4,800	12	3,325	24	90,025
July	7	70,625	1	1,000			1	1,000	10	6,200	19	78,825
Aug.	8	63,000	1	1,600	3	3,800	4	11,500	16	4,465	32	84,365
Sept.	5	52,100	1	1,600	3	1,800	2	5,000	9	4,975	20	65,475
Oct.	5	43,000			7	5,075			7	6,950	19	55,025
Nov.	14	117,280			1	600	4	13,000	12	5,115	31	135,995
Dec.	11	104,000	1	1,000	1	600			4	3,595	17	109,195
Totals	92	$820,455	14	$38,800	26	$19,375	26	$63,200	99	$54,425	257	$996,255

Respectfully submitted,

MILES H. DUSTIN,
Building Inspector.

REPORT OF ROCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

TRUSTEES

JOHN SHAW, *ex-officio*

HENRY J. GRONDIN	Term expires 1954
WALTER H. WOOD	Term expires 1954
MRS. ARTHUR JENKINS (resigned)	Term expires 1955
ALBERT C. HERVEY	Term expires 1955
MRS. JOHN L. HARTIGAN	Term expires 1956
REGINALD G. HURD	Term expires 1956

TREASURER

HARRY S. JOHNSON

STAFF

LIBRARIAN	M. FELICE BARIL
CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN	BERNICE E. TORR
ASSISTANTS	
MAUDE B. PLACE	
ELEANOR T. SMITH	
ANNETTE E. HAMEL	
PHYLLIS J. MACKAY, substitute	

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE ROCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Rochester Public Library:

I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1954.

At this time I wish to express my appreciation to His Honor, the Mayor, to the Board of Trustees, and to the members of the Library Staff.

Respectfully submitted,

M. FELICE BARIL,
Librarian.

REGISTRATION

Borrowers registered during the year:	
Main library, including out-of-town subscribers	523
Total number of borrowers January 1, 1955	6,993

CIRCULATION

From the main library:

Adult	36,260	
Children's	21,024	
Total from the main library		57,284
Through East Rochester Agency		1,071
Through Gonic Agency		5,831
Total circulation for the year		64,186
Circulation per capita		4.65

Circulation by classes:

	Main Library	E. Rochester	Gonic	Total
Fiction	21,535	813	129	22,477
Juvenile	16,694	217	3,766	20,677
Biography	2,888	10	188	3,086
Periodicals	5,928		1,171	7,099
General Works	133			133
Philosophy	320			320
Religion	450		55	505
Sociology	896		99	995
Philology	153			153
Science	1,010	3	136	1,149
Useful Arts	1,548	5	67	1,620
Fine Arts	1,647	4	35	1,686
Literature	1,371	7	53	1,431
History	2,711	12	132	2,855
Total	57,284	1,071	5,831	64,186

(Owing to the discontinuance of the East Rochester Grammar School branch, approximately 2500 less in circulation during 1954).

GIFTS

342 volumes, 474 pamphlets, 308 periodicals, 24 subscriptions, 3 maps, a check for research work, a check from the Home Demonstration Group of Rochester, N. H., Christmas decorations, plants, flowers, and floral displays through the year.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1954

Amount of money on hand January 1, 1954	$86.85
Received from fines and other sources	1,038.58
	$1,125.43
Turned over to city treasurer	$1,037.70
Balance on hand	87.73
	$1,125.43

Respectfully submitted,

M. FELICE BARIL,
Librarian.

BEQUESTS

John McDuffee Annex Fund	$5,000.00
Samuel D. Felker Fund	5,000.00
Charles and Aroline Greenfield Fund	5,000.00
John Greenfield Fund	5,000.00
John Hanscam Fund	5,000.00
Jennie Farrington Annex Fund	1,000.00
Sarah E. Varney Fund	1,000.00
Olive Maria Woodward Fund	242.31
	$27,242.31

PUBLIC LIBRARY RECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 1954	$1,435.61
City of Rochester, N. H., Appropriation	15,000.00
Interest on invested funds	675.00
M. Felice Baril, Librarian, fines and sundry receipts	1,037.70
	$18,148.31

EXPENDITURES

Books	$1,884.40
Periodicals	396.42
Binding and microfilming	123.18
Printing, supplies and incidentals	265.22
Furniture and repairs	10.00
Building and grounds	77.00
Lighting and lighting supplies	642.06
Telephone	133.12
Insurance	83.65
Fuel	741.45
Expenses of Gonic Agency	215.00
Employees' retirement	688.33
Salaries	11,705.59
	$16,965.42
Balance December 31, 1954	1,182.89
	$18,148.31

Annual Report of the

SCHOOL BOARD OF THE CITY OF ROCHESTER

For the Year ending December 31, 1954

School Board—City of Rochester

As Organized for 1954

Chairman, Hon. John Shaw

Ward One—Reginald G. Hurd, Haven H. Johnson
Ward Two—John L. Hartigan, John H. Campbell
Ward Three—John M. Meader, Robert W. Watson
Ward Four—Wilfred Desaulnier, Leo E. Beaudoin
Ward Five—Mary D. Benner, Robert D. Marsh
Ward Six—Ronald C. Taylor, Percy C. Grigg

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1954

Finance—Mayor, Campbell, Johnson
Teachers and Salaries—Beaudoin, Watson, Hartigan, Grigg, Benner
Studies, Textbooks and Supplies—Hurd, Desaulnier, Benner
Schoolhouses and Grounds—Desaulnier, Meader, Marsh
Transportation—Meader, Watson, Marsh
Vocational Training—Campbell, Taylor, Johnson
Athletics—Hartigan, Beaudoin, Hurd, Grigg, Taylor
Floodlight Committee, SHS—Members of Committee on Schoolhouses and Grounds of the School Board and Public Buildings Committee of the City Council.

School Board—City of Rochester

As Organized for 1955

Chairman, Hon. John Shaw

Ward One—Haven H. Johnson, Herman R. Robinson
Ward Two—Robert F. Kelsey, John L. Hartigan
Ward Three—Robert W. Watson, John M. Meader
Ward Four—Leo E. Beaudoin, Wilfred Desaulnier
Ward Five—Robert D. Marsh, G. Frederic Wagner
Ward Six—Percy C. Grigg, Ronald C. Taylor

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1955

Finance—Mayor, Wagner, Kelsey, Robinson
Teachers and Salaries—Beaudoin, Watson, Hartigan, Grigg, Taylor
Studies, Textbooks and Supplies—Wagner, Kelsey, Johnson
Schoolhouses and Grounds—Desaulnier, Meader, Marsh
Transportation—Meader, Watson, Marsh

Vocational Training—Kelsey, Johnson, Robinson
Athletics—Hartigan, Beaudoin, Desaulnier, Grigg, Taylor
Floodlight Committee, SHS—Members of Committee on School-houses and Grounds of the School Board and Public Buildings Committee of the City Council.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND SECRETARY TO THE BOARD
JOHN H. FRYE

SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
MYRTLE LOWE CHENEY

CLERK
ROSE E. HARTFORD

ATTENDANCE OFFICER
FRANK N. DOW

Office at City Building open from 8:00 to 12:00 A. M. and 1:00 to 5:00 P. M. on school days.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Rochester School Board:

The following statements summarize the statistical data for the public schools of our city during the fiscal year 1954. This information constitutes my sixth annual report as Superintendent of Schools in Rochester and the sixty-third in a series of such reports.

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL

The following teachers resigned at the close of the year in June 1954: Annette Beane, Augustine DiRubio, Mary Driscoll, Ruth Murray, Jeannette Nixon, Martha Plummer, and Anna Reed.

New teachers employed at the beginning of the school year in September 1954 included: Louise Ackerman, Janet Berry, Leonard D'Errico, Sigrid Francis, Martha Lamb, Nancy Paulsen, Robert Soukup and Madeline Whitcomb.

Phyllis Cloutman replaced Sharon DiRubio in January 1954. Edward Madden replaced James Cook in April 1954.

Dorothy Doe was employed to teach a special class for a part of the school year ending in June 1954.

Marie M. Nixon, Principal of the East Rochester School, died suddenly on December 23, 1954. She was serving her twenty-first year as a teacher and fifteenth year as principal of the school to which she had contributed the major efforts of her professional career. Miss Nixon will be remembered by her

pupils, fellow-teachers, and many friends as a faithful teacher devoted to the cause of education.

REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE
FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1953-54

	No. Pupils Registered*	Boys	Girls	Average Attendance	Average Absence	Average Membership	Percent of Attendance	No. of Tardinesses
ALLEN SCHOOL								
Bernice E. Frye	31	15	16	29.3	2.4	31.7	92.3	2
Mary F. Driscoll	32	19	13	28.6	2.7	31.3	91.3	16
Edith F. Mitchell	38	18	20	32.3	2.5	34.8	92.8	6
Phyllis J. Bliss	41	21	20	37.2	1.9	39.1	95.2	11
Blanche S. Young	36	15	21	34.1	1.9	36.0	94.8	6
Arline L. Woodman	36	19	17	32.4	1.9	34.3	94.4	9
Erma R. Goodwin	39	25	14	34.5	2.0	36.5	94.5	7
SCHOOL ST. SCHOOL								
Flora V. Wotton	36	16	20	31.2	1.6	32.8	95.1	17
Jane McDonald	36	20	16	33.1	2.0	35.1	94.4	11
Helen G. MacLeod	34	13	21	35.8	2.0	37.8	94.6	15
Marion E. Nelson	26	14	12	28.3	1.3	29.6	95.6	13
Jeannette Nixon	51	1	20	33.7	1.2	34.9	96.7	8
Therese Carroll	41	24	17	35.7	2.0	37.7	94.8	10
MAPLE ST. SCHOOL								
Belle T. Morse	41	2	1	32.9	3.2	36.1	91.2	24
Mildred E. Whipple	38	13	25	32.0	4.1	36.1	88.8	26
Mary H. Ennis	27	9	18	24.1	1.7	25.8	93.3	15
Martha Plummer	28	15	13	23.7	1.9	25.6	92.4	17
Naomi J. Morrill	50	25	25	34.6	3.0	37.6	92.0	15
Ruth F. Watson	41	18	23	30.9	1.8	32.7	94.4	3
Winnifred S. Cotton	44	20	24	34.7	1.5	36.2	95.8	13
Helen F. Hennessey	39	20	19	36.8	2.3	39.1	94.2	17
GONIC SCHOOL								
Helen C. Marison	44	26	18	31.8	2.9	34.7	91.7	21
Elsie M. King	32	20	12	26.6	2.3	28.9	92.1	44
Doris T. Fernald	31	13	18	25.3	2.2	27.5	91.9	13
Lillian Davis	35	18	17	27.9	2.3	30.2	92.4	11
Mary I. Smith	37	22	15	32.6	2.0	34.6	94.3	7
Beverly M. Shackford	30	13	17	25.3	1.7	27.0	93.8	2
EAST ROCHESTER SCHOOL								
G. Elaine Mahoney	34	26	8	29.0	1.4	30.4	95.5	23
Isabelle V. Hartford	30	14	16	26.0	2.5	28.5	91.1	5
Hazel C. Fay	29	16	13	27.2	1.5	28.7	94.8	10
Ellen H. Tuttle	23	12	11	21.2	1.0	22.2	95.5	7
Margaret Davenport	26	14	12	24.7	.9	25.6	96.5	6
Marie M. Nixon	29	20	9	27.8	1.3	29.1	95.5	5
High School, Grs. 7-8	294	153	141	255.3	15.1	270.4	94.4	263
High School, Grs. 9-12	598	305	293	520.4	37.1	557.5	93.3	1570
	2037	1046	991	1777.0	119.1	1896.1	93.7	2248
1943-44	1770	888	882	1534.29	100.43	1634.72	93.8	2718
1933-34	1665	835	830	1463.49	49.83	1513.32	96.7	661
1923-24	1381	686	695	1194.55	64.02	1258.57	94.9	872

* This excludes re-registration through transfer from one school to another in this city.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND ENROLLMENTS

A study of school census reports and December enrollments for the last seven years reveals a significant and steady increase in the school population in Rochester.

The total enrollment in the five public elementary schools, Grades 1 to 6, has increased from 794 in 1948 to 1092 pupils in 1954. The enrollments in Grades 7 and 8 have increased from 300 to 307 and the enrollments in Grades 9 to 12 have decreased from 623 to 590.

The school census reports for this same period show an increase of 745 resident children of school age from 5 to 16 years of age. The reports indicate, over a period of years, that about two-thirds of the pupils in Rochester attend the public schools. The general increase in our school population is reflected in both the public and private schools in about the same ratio.

The school census report for 1949 lists a total of 1484 resident pupils under six years of age and 1708 for the same age group in 1954. The number of children of school age in Rochester has increased more than the birth rate due to the number of families moving into Rochester.

Five additional classrooms have been provided in the public elementary schools of Rochester since September 1948. At the present time we have seven teachers for 217 pupils in Grade 2 and five teachers for 177 pupils in Grade 3. It appears too that additional classrooms will be necessary for Grade 3 pupils in September 1955.

The lack of space in the five elementary schools has made the work in music, physical education, the school lunch program, and other special activities increasingly difficult since several of the rooms once used for these purposes have been made into regular classrooms. The need for additional classrooms will manifest itself at the high school level in about five years.

Mayor John Shaw has appointed special School Board Committees to study the various phases of the school housing problem in Rochester in order that an accurate report be available in organized form when needed.

Considerable renovation is needed in the five elementary school buildings at the present time.

The damage done to our schools during the hurricanes in September 1954 amounted to several thousand dollars. The repairs that required immediate attention were made.

A large section of the flat roof on the Maple Street School was blown away and considerable water damage was done to the paint and plaster. This building had been recently redecorated with fresh paint. The work of the several school janitors in this building during the storm saved the city a substantial sum for repairs. No time was lost in the Rochester schools due to the hurricanes.

JANITORS, DECEMBER 31, 1954

Name of School	Name of Janitor	No. Weeks Employed	Pay per Week
Spaulding High School	Wm. Grassie, head janitor	52	$63.00
	Bernard Hunt	52	50.00
	Raymond C. Page	52	50.00
	Granville Rogers	52	50.00
	Raymond J. Seavey	52	50.00
	Ernest Winkley	52	50.00
Allen	Claude Edgerly	52	50.00
East Rochester	Herman E. Thompson	52	50.00
Gonic	Lionel Theberge	52	50.00
Maple Street	Donald Sylvain	52	50.00
School Street	Robert Quint	52	50.00

TRANSPORTATION ROUTES

December 31, 1954

Name	Route	Pay Per Week
Cecil J. Hall	Ten Rod, Chestnut Hill, Cross, Farmington, and Milton Roads	$85.39
Chester A. Johnson	Salmon Falls and Whitehall Roads, Rochester Hill	68.16
Herbert Lowell Estate	Strafford Square, Farmington Road, Little Falls Bridge Road, Chestnut Hill Road, Washington Street, Dry Hill Road, Hansonville, Rochester Heights	70.00
George E. Pray	Merrill's Corner, Crown Point, Strafford Road, Rochester Heights, Gonic Road, Charles St.	77.89
Harvey Warburton	North Rochester, Milton and Salmon Falls Roads, Adams Corner	88.35
Sumner W. Watson	Rochester Neck, Blackwater, Pickering, Old Dover Road, Flagg Road, Dry Hill Road and Oak Street	83.00
Interstate Passenger Service	Milton Road, Washington Street, Rochester Heights, Lowell Street, Tebbetts Road, Old Dover Road, Rochester Hill (Goodwin Park)	78.86

A survey made in October 1954 lists 819 pupils, including 27 transfers, carried to school in the seven buses operated by the private contractors employed by the Rochester School Board. The report listed 4 kindergarten pupils, 702 in Grades 1-8, and

113 in high school, Grades 9-12. This count included 668 pupils attending the public schools and 151 enrolled in private schools. High School pupils are transported when space on the school buses permits.

An additional 60 passenger bus, operated by the Interstate Bus Lines, has done much to provide adequate transportation for school pupils. This improved service has also made it more convenient to equalize the enrollments and prevent congestion in certain classrooms.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Our schools provide an enriched program including music, art, physical education, athletics, vocational training, along with the usual academic subjects. It is our constant endeavor to place emphasis on the common learnings throughout the entire school system in order that pupils will learn to read well, to think and express themselves clearly and become good citizens.

Tests are given annually to ascertain satisfactory growth commensurate with individual abilities. Guidance tests are administered in Grade 9 to determine vocational aptitudes and abilities and the results discussed with the pupils during individual conferences.

I consider the satisfaction of worth-while accomplishment one of the greatest values in life. Parents, teachers, and pupils should cooperate in order that a program of hard work, study, and play may be planned for the maximum development of the individual pupil. It is unusual for industrious boys and girls to become delinquents. Indolence is a sign of poor morale and begets delinquency. A longer school day for high school pupils is being given serious consideration.

Pupils attending the Rochester schools have many opportunities The pupils who take advantage of these opportunities are obtaining a good education. More cooperation is needed from parents to provide some incentive for worth-while effort by their children. Parents are encouraged to visit school and discuss the educational progress of their children with the teachers.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1955-56

	No. Wks.	No. Days	"No School" Days
1. September 7 to December 22	16	72	Sept. 5 Labor Day
			6 Teach's' Meet'g
1 week's vacation			19 Children's Day
2. January 3 to February 17	7	34	Oct. 12 Columbus Day
1 week's vacation			Nov. 11 Veterans' Day
3. February 27 to April 20	8	40	24 Thanksgiving
1 week's vacation			Nov. 25 Recess
			Dec. 23 Christmas Re'ss
4. April 30 to June 15	7	34	Jan. 2 New Year's
			May 30 Memorial Day
	38	180	

TEACHERS—DECEMBER 31, 1954

School	Subject or Grade	Name	Educational Preparation	Advanced Degree	Home
Superintendent		John H. Frye	Keene Normal School	B.Ed.	Rochester
Spaulding High			Univ. of N. H. Grad. School	M.Ed.	
Principal		John M. Cotton	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Rochester
			Harvard Grad. School of Ed.	M.Ed.	
Ass't Principal	Hd. Ind. Arts Dept. and Dir of Visual Aids	Harold W. Hanson	General Electric		Rochester
	Com., Social Science	Marion B. Abbott	Plymouth Normal School	B.Ed.	Rochester
	Mech. Draw., Elec. Shop, Auto Dr.	Harry W. Arnold	Keene Normal School	B.Ed.	Rochester
	Physics, General Sci.	Theodore H. Ayer	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.	Milton Mills
	Commerce	Frances Bailey	Plymouth Normal School	B.Ed.	Rochester
	Shop, Grs. 7-8	Charles W. Beard	Keene Normal School	B.Ed.	East Rochester
			Penn. State College	M.Ed.	
	Math., English, Grs. 7-8	Edwin A. Blackey, Jr.	Brewster Academy		Tamworth
	English	Henry L. Bremner	Plymouth Teachers College	B.Ed.	Gonic
			Boston University	M.Ed.	
	Soc. Sci. & Hd. Dept.; Guidance	Helen F. Chase	Bates College	A.B.	Rochester
			Univ. of New Hampshire	M.A.	
	Physical Ed., Grs. 7-12	Phyllis L. Cloutman	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Madbury
	Librarian	H. Rosamon Cole	Simmons College	B.S.	Hillsboro
			Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	
	French, English, Latin	Beatrice N. Cornish	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	Rochester
	Agriculture	Arthur H. Cutter	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Rochester
	Soc. St., Coach Ftbl. Baseball	Leonard W. D'Errico	Boston University	M.Ed.	Cranston, R. I.

TEACHERS—DECEMBER 31, 1954

School	Subject or Grade	Name	Educational Preparation	Advanced Degree	Home
	Cabinet Shop	Ernando J. DeVittori	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Rochester
			Fitchburg Teachers College	M.Ed.	
	Chemistry, Gen. Science	Paul R. Doe	Boston University	B.S.	Rochester
			Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.	
	English, Book Room	Marion Dow	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Rochester
	Auto and Mach. Shops	Wilbur M. Fay	Wentworth Institute		Rochester
	Soc. Sci., Dramatics	Nedra S. Flaker	Bates College	B.A.	Rochester
			Boston University	M.A.	
	Math., Social Studies	Dorothy G. Flint	Boston University	B.S.	Rochester
			Wayne University	M.A.	
	Art	Sigrid A. Francis	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Ossipee
	Mach. Shop, Math., Guidance	Harry W. Grierson	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	
			Columbia University T. C.	M.A.	Rochester
	Home Eco., Grs. 7-8	Martha F. Grierson	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Rochester
	Gen. Sci. Grs. 7-8, Asst. Coach	Martin E. Harwood	Norwich University	B.A.	Rochester
	English, Guid., Grs. 7-8	Thomas E. Hennessey	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	Somersworth
	Soc. St., Eng., Grs. 7-8; H. S. History	Erma A. Jackson	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.	Durham
	English	Edith G. Kelley	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	Dover
	Soc. Studies, Math., Grs. 7-8	Muriel L. Kiley	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	Portsmouth
	Math., Hist., English Grs. 7-8	M. Charlotte Leighton	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	Math., Hd. Math. & Sci. Dept.	Theodore Lylis	St. Anselm's College	A.B.	Rochester
			Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.	

TEACHERS—DECEMBER 31, 1954

School	Subject or Grade	Name	Educational Preparation Advanced Degree		Home
	Biology, Latin	Benjamin W. Mooney	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.A.	Rochester
	Phys. Ed., Gen. Math., Civics	Roland S. Morrison	Univ. of Maine	B.S.	Rochester
	Hist., Math., Grs. 7-8	Mary W. Rhodes	Portsmouth Training School		Rochester
	Gen. Sci., Math. Grs. 7-8	Robert S. Soukup	Tufts College	M.Ed.	E. Rochester
	Home Economics	Lola M. Springfield	Nasson Institute	B.S.	Gonic
	Com., Social Science	Eva L. Stevenson	Bryant & Stratton		Barrington
	Dir. Ath., Phys. Ed. 7-12, Coach Vars. Bsktbl, Ftball	George L. Taylor Jr.	Boston University	M.Ed.	Gonic
	English, Hd. English Dept.	Irene W. Wight	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.	Somersworth
Allen	Ia	Bernice E. Frye	Portsmouth Training School		Portsmouth
	Ib	Madeline Whitcomb	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	IIa	Louise P. Ackerman	Gorham Normal School		Durham
	IIb Principal	Edith F. Mitchell	Plymouth Normal School		Gonic
	III	Phyllis J. Bliss	Wheelock Kindergarten School		Rochester
	IV	Blanche S. Young	Lesley Normal School		Somersworth
	V	Arline L. Woodman	Keene Normal School		Rochester
	VI	Erma R. Goodwin	Gorham Normal School		Rochester
School St.	I	Flora V. Wotton	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	II	Jane McDonald	Keene Normal School		Rochester
	III	Helen G. MacLeod	Keene Normal School		Rochester
	IV Principal	Marion E. Nelson	Boston University	B.S.	Rochester
	V	Martha L. Lamb	Kansas Junior College		Rochester
	VI	Therese L. Carroll	Colby College		Rochester

TEACHERS—DECEMBER 31, 1954

School	Subject or Grade	Name	Educational Preparation Advanced Degree		Home
Maple St.	Ia	Belle T. Morse	Farmington Normal School		Rochester
	Ib	Mildred E. Whipple	Plymouth Normal School		Gonic
	IIa	Janet C. Berry	Boston University	B.S.	New Durham
	IIb	Mary H. Ennis	Smith College	B.A.	Rochester
	III Principal	Naomi J. Morrill	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	IV	Ruth F. Watson	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	V	Winnifred S. Cotton	Gorham High School		Rochester
	VI	Helen F. Hennessey	North Adams Normal School		Somersworth
Gonic	I	Helen C. Marison	Keene Teachers College	B.Ed.	Farmington
	II	Elsie M. King	Keene Teachers College	B.Ed.	Rochester
	III	Doris T. Fernald	Plymouth Normal School		Gonic
	IV Principal	Lillian Davis	Boston University	B.S.	Reed's Ferry
	V	Mary I. Smith	Plymouth Normal School		Gonic
	VI	Beverly M. Shackford	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.	Farmington
E. Rochester	I	G. Elaine Mahoney	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	II	Isabelle V. Hartford	Gorham Normal School		Lebanon, Me.
	III	Hazel C. Fay	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	IV	Ellen H. Tuttle	Plymouth Normal School		Gonic
	V	Margaret Davenport	Gorham Normal School		Rochester
	VI Principal	Marie M. Nixon	Plymouth Normal School		E. Rochester
Grs. 1-12	Dir. of Instrumental Music	Edward J. Madden	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Rochester
Grs. 1-12	Super. of Vocal Music	Nancy A. Paulsen	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Cascade
	Elem. Phys. Ed; Ass't Coach	Robert O. Welch	Boston University	M.Ed..	Lynn, Mass.
	School Nurse	Nora C. Scahill	Gale Hospital	R.N.	Rochester

Due to regulations of the State Board of Education, requiring sessions on 180 school days, it is recommended that the Rochester Public Schools shall not close due to inclement weather. School days lost in case of extreme emergencies will be made up by extending the school year in June 1956.

Parents are expected to show good judgment on school attendance whenever unusual conditions may affect the health or safety of their children.

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

Twenty-two upon the fire alarm will be the signal for no school. When sounded at 7:05 and 7:45 all schools will be closed for the day. When sounded at 11:15 pupils will be dismissed at the usual morning closing hour for the rest of the day. The same signals will be sounded at Gonic and East Rochester. Notification will also be broadcast from Station WWNH and Station WHEB at 7:15 and 7:45.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The contributions of local service clubs and interested citizens for the welfare of underprivileged children have been helpful. The various provisions for scholarships, awards, and other incentives for high scholarship and outstanding achievement are also appreciated. The Parent-Teacher Associations have been very active in the elementary schools. They have provided interesting programs for the discussion of school problems and raised considerable money for valuable projects.

CONCLUSION

Our schools will continue to grow in membership, service, and values. The need for educational opportunities and proper leadership for all youth creates many problems.

I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation of school employees, city officials, parents and citizens. I also wish to thank the members of the Rochester School Board and the school principals for their loyal support.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. FRYE,
Superintendent of Schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1954, to December 31, 1954

RECEIPTS

Appropriation	$413,226.13	
Rentals	548.50	
		$413,774.63

EXPENDITURES

Administration:	
Superintendent's Salary (Local share)	$5,100.00
Tax for State Wide Supervision	3,668.00
Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel:	
Attendance Officer	876.00
Census	405.64
Secretaries	5,429.84
Supplies and Expenses:	
Postage	93.06
Printing and Office Suplies	496.63
Telephone	1,149.94
Travel	231.93
Instruction:	
Teachers' Salaries	273,588.41
Substitutes	1,440.25
Textbooks and Other Instructional Aids	3,793.76
Pupils' Supplies	8,058.53
Salaries of Clerical Assistants	1,836.48
Vocational	2,696.23
Other Instructional Expenses:	
Graduation	171.00
Flags	44.76
Library and Reference Books	824.48
Testing Program	614.08
Travel	323.88
Operation of School Plant:	
Janitors' Salaries	29,267.69
Fuel	8,960.57
Janitors' Supplies	2,224.52
Light	6,115.60
Maintenance of School Plant:	
Repairs and Replacements	5,833.94
Auxiliary Activities:	
Health Supervision:	
Nurse	3,298.96
Physician and Medical Supplies	581.37
Transportation	20,859.19
Tuition for Handicapped	490.05

Fixed Charges:		
Retirement	19,373.01	
Insurance	3,164.14	
Capital Outlay:		
New Equipment	1,054.14	
Debt, Interest and Other Charges:		
Payments of Principal of Debt (Floodlights)	1,530.00	
Payments of Interest on Debt	162.56	
		$413,758.64
Balance		$15.99

STUDENT ACTIVITY ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

September, 1953-September, 1954

RECEIPTS

Checking Account September 1953	$1,679.87
Savings Account 1953	1,017.93
Interest	23.44
Sinking Fund	2,881.02
Red and White	1,079.25
Football	4,846.15
Basketball	2,009.48
Baseball	20.83
Dramatics	354.78
Music and Debating	252.64
Class of 1954	2,436.89
Class of 1955	600.17
Class of 1956	266.79
Class of 1957	209.70
Class of 1958	92.80
Class of 1959	73.03
Miscellaneous	4,937.45
	$22,782.22

PAYMENTS

Sinking Fund	$1,266.82
Red and White	1,240.35
Football	5,112.61
Basketball	2,302.71
Baseball	468.57
Dramatics	219.14
Track	473.59
Music and Debating	439.77
Class of 1952	168.31
Class of 1954	2,903.93
Class of 1955	267.33

Class of 1956	48.52
Class of 1957	12.65
Class of 1958	9.93
Class of 1959	7.84
Miscellaneous	5,031.75
Check Book Balance	1,767.03
Savings	1,017.93
Interest	23.44
	$22,782.22

In addition to the Assets listed in the balance sheet above, the Student Activity Association owns United States Savings Bonds and Stamps as follows:

Bonds:	
Due November, 1954	$25.00
Due June, 1956	800.00
	$825.00
Stamps	8.00
Total	$833.00

"I have audited the accounts of the Student Activity Association for the year ending August 31, 1954 and I believe the foregoing to be a true and correct financial statement."

Paul H. Bergeron,
City Auditor.

GRADUATION EXERCISES

SPAULDING HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1954

SPAULDING HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
Thursday, June 17, 1954
At 8 P. M.
Rochester, New Hampshire

PROGRAM

Processional, "Pomp and Chivalry" *Roberts*
HIGH SCHOOL ENSEMBLE

Invocation
REVEREND CHARLES D. MAURER

Welcome
MERRILL FAY
President of Senior Class

Selections, "The Lord's Prayer" *Malotte*
MARY LUNT

"You'll Never Walk Alone" *Rogers*
Solo, ROBERT HANSON
HIGH SCHOOL GLEE CLUB

Address
DR. EDWARD EDDY, JR.
Assistant to President of University of New Hampshire

Selection, "Choral March and Fugue" *Guilmant*
HIGH SCHOOL ENSEMBLE

Awards
SUPERINTENDENT JOHN H. FRYE
PRINCIPAL JOHN M. COTTON

Presentation of Diplomas
MAYOR JOHN SHAW
Chairman of School Board

Class Ode
SANDRA CLEMENT
Class of 1954

Benediction
REVEREND ALBERT TURGEON

Recessional, "Graduation March" *Lake*
HIGH SCHOOL ENSEMBLE

All are invited to a Reception to the Graduates in the Gymnasium immediately following the Exercises

CLASS OFFICERS

President,	MERRILL FAY
Vice-President,	ROBERT VANASSE
Secretary,	AUDREY CLARK
Treasurer,	KENNETH OSBORNE

MOTTO

"Our Life Begins"

CLASS COLORS

Maroon and Silver

CLASS FLOWER

Red Rose

CLASS MARSHAL

Dana Libby, '55

CLASS OF 1954

Abbott, Eva Jane
Allen, Sybil Edna
Auclair, Edward David

Bennett, Mary Jean
Bigelow, Joyce
Blair, Robert John
Bouchard, Priscilla Dora

Campbell, Sylvia Marilyn
Carlton, James Alvin
Cate, Rita June
Cavanaugh, Richard Thomas
Christie, Geraldine Evelyn
Clark, Audrey Louise
Clement, Cynthia Louise
Clement, Sandra Mary
Clough, Beverly Louise
Cohen, Sylvia Leah
Cole, Henry Philip
Corbett, Norma Jane
Corson, Gladys Karen
Crosby, Sharon Lynne
Curran, Jean Francis

Dale, Robert Clifford
Dallaire, Paula Anne
Dame, Constance May
Doyon, Roland Sylvio
Drouin, Arthur Albert

Edgerly, Lawrence Walter
Emerson, Richard Kenneth
Emerson, Robert Wayne

Fay, Merrill Park
Forbes, Douglas Llewellyn
Foster, Peggy Grace
Frye, John Albert
Frye, Ruth Ann

Gagnon, Linwood Arthur
Garran, Judith Foster
Garvin, William Nelson
Gerrish, Beverly Estelle
Gilbert, Thomas Luman
Gile, Marilyn Audry
Gilmore, Richard Erlon
Gravel, Richard Joseph
Grenier, Kenneth Arnold

Ham, Robert Francis
Hamel, Jeannine Lauria
Hamel, Normand Ernest
Hamilton, John Gibson
Hammer, Donald Edward
Hanson, Robert Sidney
Hawkins, Donald Smith, Jr.
Horne, Harriette Lillian
Horne, Lorraine Ann
Hourigan, John David
Houseworth, John Cornell
Hunt, Rae Harling
Huppe, Marcel Wilfred

Jackson, Rita Mae
Jacobs, Barbara Louise
Jacobs, John Issac, Jr.
Jenness, Natalie Lorraine
Johnson, Beverly Ann
Jones, Harold Francis
Junkins, Eleanor Louise

Knights, Sylvia Edith

Lambert, Carmen Lola
Landry, Eugene Richard
Lanoix, Hazel Beryle
Larrabee, Judith Kay
Lessard, Paul Edward
Lunt, Mary Esther

MacIver, Kenneth Neal
Marsh, Rolland Spaulding
Maxfield, Constance Joan
McCallion, Shirley Ann
McGregor, Beverly Ann
Michel, Norman Richard
Mills, Gordon Palmer
Mireault, Marceline Sylvia
Moody, Audrey Elaine

Nason, Carrie Marjorie
Nutting, Irene May

O'Neil, Kathleen Grace
Osborne, Kenneth Walter

Palmer, Raynor William, Jr.
Peabody, Charles Perley

Provencher, Lucy Rosilda

Ranagan, Alfred Gerard
Rennebu, Lawrence William
Reynolds, Arthur Paul
Richard, Betty Irene
Richardson, Carlene
Ross, Gilbert Shaw

Seavey, David Earle
Seavey, Paul Edgar
Sessler, Roland Ronald
Smith, Bruce William
Smith, James Herbert
Stetson, Anne Colby
Stevens, Carleton Paul
Stevenson, Priscilla Jane

Treble, Kenneth Brian, Jr.
Tufts, Geraldine Georgia
Turgeon, Richard Roland
Turner, Roberta Ramsdell
Tuttle, Nancy Lee
Twitchell, Dorothy Clare

Vanasse, Robert Leo
Varney, Minniebelle Augusta

Watson, John Robert
Whitney, Donald Libby
Wiggin, Robert Lawrence
Wilkinson, Lois Elaine
Wingate, John Thomas

Young, Lois Ann

INAUGURAL ADDRESS

BY JOHN SHAW, MAYOR

City Hall Auditorium

January 5, 1955

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Municipal Administration is generally a compromise between what the public wants and demands and what they as taxpayers are willing and able to pay for.

There are many citizens who want new and added services and are willing to pay for them, but there are, in my belief, many more who cannot carry the burden of the increased taxes necessary to pay for such expansions.

The tax rate, the funded debt and total assessed valuation will give the answers very quickly about the affairs of any community.

My personal belief is that any city administrative policies should be operated in short cycles of expansion and retrenchment.

When any community's tax rate is too high and funded debt too large, there is only one answer and that is economy and retrenchment.

We have tried to carry out, in the past two years, the down part of the cycle called "retraction." I believe that at the time of my taking office that the general City debt was too great and the tax rate too high.

In the last two years, we have brought the debt down to a reasonable size and have lowered the tax rate considerably below the average State rate.

Our City economy is now in a position to either move forward or to rest at half cycle. Our pay-as-you-go policy can be modified in the coming year to purchase some new equipment. My own views, as far as the tax rate is concerned, are that it must and should be held to approximately last year's figure.

TAX RATE

Our tax rate was reduced the first term from $50.20 to $46.60—a reduction of $3.60 in the face of a loss in valuations of nearly $50,000. In the second term, there was a further reduction from $46.60 to $44.60—a reduction of $2.00 or a total of $5.60 in two terms. Our total valuations have only increased about $4,000 since the $50.20 rate so that we take some pride in pointing out that we did not use the old political trick of raising the valuations to make a cut in the tax rate.

I also believe that any tax rate in the vicinity of between $45.00 and $47.00 is an acceptable rate for Rochester.

THE BUDGET

The Budget has been reduced in each term approximately $85,000, and each year we have wound up with a considerable surplus from these Budgets.

The accomplishment of producing a surplus is not something of which we should be overly proud. It can indicate two things: one, that the business of the year was conducted in an economical fashion; or, two, that the Budget was too large in the first place.

THE CITY DEBT

The overall debt is divided into three groups: Water, Sewer fund and the general City debt.

The Water debt is entirely separate, payable from the Water receipts and does not affect the tax rate, but of course can affect the Water rates.

The Sewer fund debt is a separate debt used to finance sewer installations, and this is offset by an accounts receivable owed by individual taxpayers, guaranteed by liens on their property, and this debt does not affect either the tax rate or the Water rates.

The general City debt is the important debt as far as the City finances are concerned. Its size affects the credit of the City, the yearly budget and the tax rate.

The general City debt has been reduced from $254,146 and now stands at the very small amount of $149,916.

The Sewer fund debt is $18,000 and this is offset by payments due the City of the same amount.

WATER SYSTEM

The Water System debt is $650,000 and this includes the cost of our new Water System, our new City extensions and the old debt which amounted to well over $100,000. We have endeavored to finance this debt in such a manner that the cost will be distributed over a long period of years, so that we can pay for it without raising the Water rates. Our payments for the next thirty years will be "constant" and will amount to approximately $30,000 a year.

We have been paying in round figures about $22,000 out of the Water receipts each year for debt service. We have showed, after making this payment, a surplus of from $5,000 to $7,000. This, together with the anticipated increase in the amount of Water sales, combined with good management, should enable us to make our yearly Water debt payments without necessitating an increase in the Water rates.

It has been called to my attention that we have not only tripled the amount of available water supply and delivery but that also the quality of the water for drinking purposes has been tremendously improved.

It has also been suggested that due to the increased quantity in the system, the summer water temperature will be a great deal colder than formerly, and this makes for greater palatability.

One of the big reasons for installing our new Water System was our desire to have sufficient water to meet and supply the demands of any new industries that might come to Rochester.

It has been estimated that our new Water System will meet the demands of our expected normal growth many years beyond 1990. It should reach completion sometime this spring.

NEW INDUSTRY

Our community needs a new industry. It is quite vital to us if we are to maintain our economic health.

This need has been with us for several years, and we have not made up to this point any great progress toward filling the need.

Rochester is in a fair way of becoming a satellite or bedroom town for the industrial communities surrounding us, and this is not good for our future.

Something more must be done than is *now* being done.

CONCLUSION

Our program for the coming year will again be one of economy, and the holding as near as possible of our present tax rate.

To me, good municipal government is nothing but good taxation, and good taxation is taxation only to the lowest possible amount necessary for economical and efficient services.

CITY GOVERNMENT

AS ORGANIZED JANUARY 1, 1955

Mayor, JOHN SHAW

COUNCILMEN

Ward One—Richard Q. Lachance, Sherman A. Chamberlain, Reginald G. Hurd, Sr.

Ward Two—George C. Nadeau, Scott G. Winkley, John F. Campbell.

Ward Three—George A. Lachapelle, Sumner W. Watson, Edgar J. Carignan.

Ward Four—Sylvio A. Levesque, J. Arthur Leblond, Marc E. Lemoyne.

Ward Five—James L. Foss, Edward H. Quimby, Jr., Elmer R. Waitt.

Ward Six—Ira E. Boyer, Frank D. Callaghan, Jr., Carl Wentworth.

City Clerk—D. Arlene Baker.
City Soliciter—Paul B. Urion.
City Treasurer—Charles F McCauley.
City Accountant—Paul H. Bergeron.
Collector of Taxes—Downing W. Osborne.
Commissioner of Public Works—Porter Roberts.
Marshal—Vane E. Nickerson.
Assistant Marshal—Ernest J. Levesque.
Sergeant—Clarence A. Woods.
Patrolmen—Deus Levesque, Leland L. Waterhouse, Laurent V. Autotte, Arnold Horn, Sidney J. Hurley, Nelson S. Hatch, Joseph G. Zuromskis, Harvey E. Warburton, Willis M. Hayes, Nelson Goodfield.
Chief Engineer of Fire Department—Ralph G. Seavey.
Deputy Chief Engineers of Fire Department—Frederic Cookson, Joseph E. Woodes, Charles R. Grenier, John Meader.
Overseer of Poor—Forrest L. Keay.
Sanitary Officer—Frank N. Dow.
City Physician—Charles E. Moors, Jr.
Board of Health—Charles E. Moors, Jr., Forrest L. Keay, Frank N. Dow.
Plumbers' Examining Board—Joseph A. Rainville, Wilbur F. Horne, Frank N. Dow.
Assessors—Albert R. Chalmers, Louis M. Boston, George J. Potvin.
Trustees of Trust Funds—Walter A. Bickford, Wallace Hussey, Bernard F. Nixon.
Trustees of Public Library—Albert C. Hervey, Harold E. Copeland, Reginald G. Hurd, Sr., Winifred E. Hartigan, Sumner W. Watson, Lucien G. Paradis

Licensing Board—Mayor John Shaw, City Marshal Vane E. Nickerson, Commisisoner of Public Works Porter Roberts.
Manager of City Hall Auditorium—Frank B. Miller
Building Inspector—Miles H. Dustin
Janitor—Odilon Ferland
Janitor, East Rochester Hall—Everett H. Johnson
Janitor, Gonic Hall—Telles Dolbec
Sealer of Weights and Measures—Clifford J. Grenier
Special Police—William O. Allen, Robert Benner, Horace P. Berry, Wilfred L. Berube, Oliver E. Blakeney, Percy Brooks, William R. Brown, Leon E. Buffum, Frank D. Callaghan, Sr., Robert J. Callaghan, Edgar J. Carignan, William H. Champlin, Jr., Raymond Chisholm, Charles A. Cotta, Ernest Couture, Eudore Couture, Alvah L. Cox, George A. Creteau, W. Earl Davis, E. Morrison Douglas, Frank N. Dow, Miles H. Dustin, A. J. Familgetti, Paul J. Forcier, Albert S. Foster, Chester A. Freeman, J. Wesley French, Neal D. Goodwin, Alphonse Hamel, William D. Hamel, Charles Hanson, John F. Hickey, Adrian Hodgkins, John J. Hurley, Edward Joblonski, Alphonse J. Lacasse, Richard Q. Lachance, George A. Lachapelle, Elmer A. Lavallee, Sylvio A. Levesque, Fred Lyons, Jr., Frank B. Miller, Fred Mortimer, George C. Nadeau, Wilfred Nutbrown, Rolf Osterman, Weston H. Palmer, Henry Paradis, Freeman V. Parshley, Michel A. Pelletier, John W. Philbrook, George J. Potvin, Bert F. Power, Kenneth H. Preston, Norman J. Raitt, Edgar Remick, Porter Roberts, Joseph A. Roulx, Fred L. Seavey, Wallace G. Shaw, Harold R. Shepard, Anthony A. Solsky, Alphonse Sylvain, Leon E. Sylvain, Albert L. Wallace, Carl H. Wentworth, George Wood, Joseph Woodes.
Public Weighers—Dana Copp, Chester A. Davis, J. Raymond Fisher, Wallace N. Fisher, Miles Hill, Robert Hussey, Charles Mattocks, J. A. Morrill, Albert C. Mortimer, Roger E. Page, Orlando E. Pickering, Hill Pollard, George Sewell, Chester H. Smith, Olive Page Tufts, Albert Warburton, Joseph Woodes, Bert Woodward.
Surveyors of Wood and Lumber—Arthur Bonenfant, Raoul Lacasse, Arthur Mason, A. F. Potvin, George J. Potvin, Arthur S. Wallace, Walter Williams.
Fence Viewers—Elery J. Lyndes, Harry F. Lemke

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1955

Finance—Mayor, Watson, Campbell
Public Works—Mayor, Nadeau, Callaghan, Levesque, Leblond, Carignan, Chamberlain
Police—Mayor, Lemoyne, Wentworth
Fire—Levesque, Winkley, Quimby
Legal Affairs—Mayor, Lachance, Hurd
Claims & Accounts—Mayor, Leblond, Quimby
Public Buildings—Callaghan, Lachapelle, Foss
Purchasing—Mayor, Lachapelle, Wentworth
Traffic—Carignan, Lachance, Boyer

Street Lights—Winkley, Lemoyne, Waitt
Elections—Hurd, Watson, Chamberlain
Bills in Second Reading—Campbell, Nadeau, Waitt

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Albert C. Hervey, Secretary; Ernest W. Campbell, Chairman; Donald Keller, John C. Richardson, Jr., Ludger J. Cossette.

ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD

Mayor John Shaw; Paul H. Bergeron, Secretary; George C. Nadeau, Ernest L. Rolfe, Alfred G. Desmarais, Dennis E. Brennan, J. Paul LaRoche, Herve E. Lagasse, Albert L. Mabbett.

SELECTMEN AS OF 1955

Ward One—Frank Shaw, Glover Robinson, George Pray
Ward Two—Orman Mann, Donald D. Beaudoin, Randolph Conrad
Ward Three—Diana Lachapelle, Rita L. Carignan, Priscilla Couture
Ward Four—Robert Beaudoin, Herve J. Martel, Philip Perrault
Ward Five—William E. Gerrish, Albert C. Hervey, Melvin Downing.
Ward Six—Philip Estes, Vernon E. Hersom, Frank Muggleston

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